

America Recycles Day

America Recycles Day, a Keep America Beautiful national initiative, takes place on and in the weeks leading into November 15.

Registration is open for businesses, community organizations, government entities, individuals and others planning to host an America Recycles Day-themed event. For recycling educators, the program provides an opportunity to improve recycling by reminding individuals what can be recycled.

Take The Pledge

#BeRecycled is a call-to-action to invite individuals to actively pursue and live a recycled lifestyle. By taking the #BeRecycled Pledge, individuals commit to learn about recycling in their community; to consistently and correctly recycle; to reduce personal waste; and to buy products made from recycled content. Participants are encouraged to help spread the word by educating and encouraging friends, family and neighbors to recycle in their community and to integrate the act of recycling and buying recycled content throughout their daily routines.

So what does this entail? Great question! Some ideas include:

- Take that reusable mug to get your morning coffee,
- If you don't remember to take a reusable bag when you are grocery shopping, do remember to take your plastic bags and wraps to a retail location that collects them for recycling - and;
- Look for products that have recycled content.

Calendar of Events

2017 Keep America Beautiful National Conference - [Register Here](#)

January 24 - 26, 2017

Omni Shoreham, Washington, D.C.

Exciting 2017 Conference speakers include Judith Glaser - American author, academic, business executive and organizational anthropologist; Wes Schultz - social psychologist who researches social influence and behavior change; and Cynthia D'Amour - an author who focuses on developing leadership skills and facilitating strategic meetings.

Additional sessions will focus on:

- behavior change
- conversational intelligence

- how to ignite and catalyze action in communities
- effective networking and best practice sharing opportunities

Share your Upcoming 2016 Events and Programs with Keep Ohio Beautiful and we will add them to our website Calendar of Events.

Keep Ohio Beautiful Merchandise

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The Buckeye Boutique is owned and operated by outdoors enthusiasts right here in the heart of it all, Ohio. We started Buckeye Boutique as a means of not only providing local Ohioan artisans, artists, and designers a home to sell their works, but as a way of giving back to the state we hold so dearly in our hearts.

They are a proud official partner of Keep Ohio Beautiful, a 501(c)3 non-profit which works throughout the state as an affiliate of Keep America Beautiful to improve waste handling practices, litter prevention, recycling, beautification and community greening efforts.

For every item sold in our 'Keep Ohio Beautiful' collection, we donate 10% of profit to Keep Ohio Beautiful. We also help with marketing strategies, provide input on social media best practices, and even get our hands dirty at Keep Ohio Beautiful cleanup events! As avid hikers, kayakers, and general outdoors enthusiasts, we encourage you to pack out what you pack in, pick up litter when you see it, and do your part to preserve Ohio's beauty for future generations to enjoy.

Many other items on the store are handmade or designed by artisans right here in Ohio. All photography and art works are 100% non-GMO, free range organic prints created with love by local artists.



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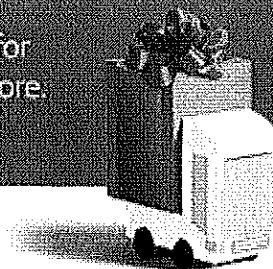
Thanksgiving is the perfect time to give thanks to all those who are near and dear to us. This Thanksgiving, The Heartland Institute is grateful for our Legislative Forum members, elected officials, the men and women serving our country, our donors, allies, and all of the friends who support Heartland's work to promote free-market solutions to our nation's social and economic problems.

From all of us at The Heartland Institute, we wish you a safe and happy Thanksgiving that's filled with food, family, and free-market principles! Please don't forget to support The Heartland Institute when you shop on Black Friday and Cyber Monday by using #StartWithaSmile at <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/36-3309812>. When you do, Amazon will make a donation to The Heartland Institute.

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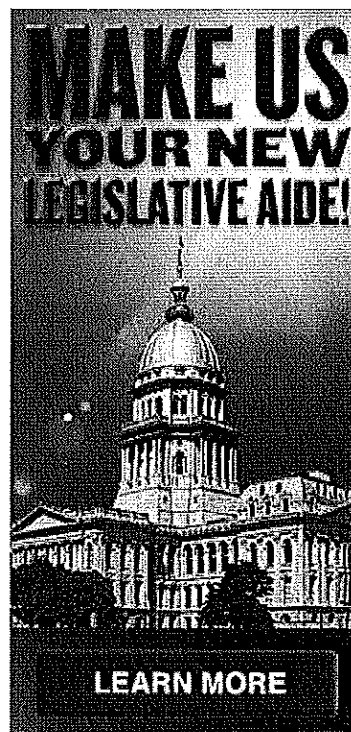
Research & Commentary: Right-to-Work Reform in New Hampshire

West Virginia recently became the nation's 26th right-to-work (RTW) state, and several other states are now considering becoming the 27th, including New Hampshire. Right-to-work policies have become increasingly popular nationwide. Since 2012, four states have enacted right-to-work legislation. RTW laws allow employees the option to join or refuse to join a union, pay fees or other charges to a union, or pay any third party or charity instead of paying a union. In this *Research & Commentary*, Senior Policy Analyst Matthew Glans examines right-to-work reform proposals in New Hampshire. "Right-to-work laws create new jobs and foster economic and population growth. New Hampshire lawmakers should consider implementing right-to-work legislation, a decision that is sure to reap significant economic benefits," Glans wrote. [Read more](#)

Education

Research & Commentary: Tax Credit Scholarships Save Taxpayers, School Districts Money

In this *Research & Commentary*, Policy Analyst Tim Benson discusses an audit by EdChoice, formerly the Friedman Foundation for Educational Choice, of the 10 largest (of the country's 21) tax credit scholarship programs. EdChoice says the top 10 programs have saved between \$1.7 billion and \$3.4 billion through 2014, or about \$1,750 to \$3,000 saved per student. [Read more](#)



Energy and Environment

Research & Commentary: Wyoming DEQ: Hydraulic Fracturing Site Not Contaminating Drinking Water

The Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality released its highly anticipated 80,000-page final report on hydraulic fracturing, commonly called “fracking,” and other drilling for natural gas conducted near the town of Pavillion. The report concluded drilling activity did not contaminate well water there and that any contaminants found in those wells were likely to have occurred naturally. In this *Research & Commentary*, Policy Analyst Tim Benson examines the report. Benson notes the report further undercuts the hysteric claims made by anti-fracking activists; the study says there have been at least 15 peer-reviewed studies since 2010 that show fracking does not contaminate groundwater. “Regulation,” Benson says, “should only be based on the best available scientific literature, not on wild, unfounded claims based on misinformation, fear, and superstition.” [Read more](#)

Health Care

Research & Commentary: Drug Price Controls and Price Transparency

While drug companies have argued for many years their prices are competitive and determined by the cost of development, critics say new laws are needed that would set the price of prescription drugs at “fair” rates. These critics say this form of market manipulation is necessary to guarantee access to pharmaceutical drugs for all people. There are two approaches state legislatures have taken to address the price of medications: transparency requirements and price controls. In this *Research & Commentary*, Senior Policy Analyst Matthew Glans examines drug price controls and price transparency. “Price caps are vague, obtrusive, and give far too much control over the pharmaceutical market to government regulators. Price gouging can be a problem, but price controls are not the answer. Instead of killing the free market and innovation in the pharmaceutical industry, state lawmakers should promote transparency and let the market and legal system monitor drug prices,” wrote Glans. [Read more](#)

From Our Free-Market Friends

2017 State Business Tax Climate Index

In October, The Tax Foundation released its 13th annual edition of the *State Business Tax Climate Index*, which measures how competitive and well-structured each state’s tax code is for businesses within the state. The Tax Foundation analyzed over 100 tax variables in five different categories—corporate, individual income, sales, property, and unemployment insurance taxes—to formulate its index and

POLICY NEWSPAPER



The November issue of *School Reform News* reports on a brewing scandal in New York City, where the results of Common Core-aligned exams show significant gains in student proficiency, leading some to wonder whether the test scores are inflated. The *New York Post*, dubbing the situation “Inflate-gate,” reported, “The state has lowered the number of correct answers that students need to pass [on] 11 out of 12 Common Core exams this year, casting doubt on an across-the-board increase in NYC pass rates.”

Budget & Tax News

Health Care News

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create its rankings. Wyoming once again finished first in The Tax Foundation's index, as it did in 2016, while New Jersey finished last for the third year in a row. [Read more](#)



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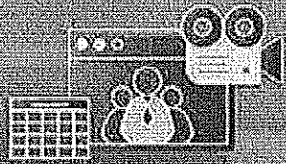
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AWS Online Tech Talks

New Services and Features Launched at AWS re:Invent 2016

Throughout January, we'll cover the new services and features that were launched at re:Invent 2016. These tech talk sessions will help you quickly learn about our new capabilities and how you can apply them to your applications. The sessions will be led by AWS solutions architects and engineers, featuring live demonstrations followed by Q&A with AWS experts.

Artificial Intelligence

- Amazon Lex: A service for building conversational interfaces using voice and text.

Analytics

- Amazon QuickSight: Business analytics for everyone.

Desktop & App Streaming

- Amazon AppStream 2.0: Stream desktop apps securely from the AWS cloud directly to users on the device of their choice, and eliminate the need to rewrite them for the cloud.

Compute

- Amazon Lightsail: The easiest way to launch and manage a virtual private server with AWS.
- Amazon EC2 Instances: An overview of the Amazon EC2 instance platform, key platform features, and the concept of instance generations.
- AWS Lambda: Run code without provisioning or managing servers.

Console Tools

- AWS Personal Health Dashboard: Personalized view of AWS service health.

Databases

- Amazon Aurora with PostgreSQL Compatibility: Learn about the preview access of Amazon Aurora with PostgreSQL Compatibility.

Developer Tools

- AWS CodeBuild: Build and test code; pay by the minute.

- AWS X-Ray: Analyze and debug your applications.

IoT

- AWS Greengrass: A software that lets you run local compute, messaging and data caching for connected devices.

Management Tools

- Chef Automate: Learn how to automate operations with Chef Automate.

Mobile

- Amazon Pinpoint: Run targeted campaigns and improve user engagement in mobile apps.

Partner Webinars

- Logicworks: Register for the Logicworks webinar to learn how PartyLite launched their large set of PCI DSS compliant workloads on AWS in just 30 days.
- Apps Associates: Register for the Apps Associates webinar to learn how Hansen Technologies migrated to an agile, scalable IT environment on AWS with the help of Apps Associates.
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Subject: Updates: Workforce, Manufacturing, Site Selection, Celebration

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Hi R,

Good morning and Happy Friday the 13th! Here are a few materials that you may find useful or interesting.

Advancing Workforce Development in Northeast Ohio: Our partners at the Greater Cleveland Partnership are hosting an engaging conversation on January 27th with key state leaders on Ohio's efforts to transform its workforce development system to better meet the needs of employers and connect individuals to career pathways. The discussion will include Ryan Burgess, leader of Ohio's Office of Workforce Transformation, which is committed to identifying the needs of businesses, connecting businesses and workers, and aligning training to meet the needs of businesses. State Senator Sandra Williams will also address the group. State Senator Williams serves as a member of the Governor's Executive Workforce Board, which provides oversight and guidance to the state's workforce development efforts. [Learn more and register here](#).

The Coming Revolution of American Manufacturing: Mark Mills of the Manhattan Institute authored this thought-provoking prognostication towards the idea of MaaS (Manufacturing-as-a-Service). [Read and opine](#) about how your manufacturers may be positioned, particularly in the areas of materials and innovation. As my colleague pointed out, there is something in this report for everyone!

Site Selector Perspective on the Year Ahead: So what does 2017 look like in terms of site location decisions? Development Counsellors International's "[The Project](#)" podcast

series sits down with Kathy Mussio, Managing Partner with [Atlas Insight](#) and Brett Bayduss, Executive Vice President of the [Site Selection Group](#), for their perspectives on the year ahead. They share interesting answers to some difficult questions in the first podcast of the new year. [Check it out here.](#)

Celebrating the 2016 Success of Northeast Ohio's Economic Development

Network: 2016 was a great year for Northeast Ohio on many fronts, including economic development. We hope you will join us on February 22 at 3:30pm at the Embassy Suites in Independence as we gather to celebrate our region's many successes. Stay tuned for additional information and [click here](#) to register.

A Beginner's Guide to Trade and Foreign Exchange: Alan Cole from The Tax Foundation recently penned a [blog post intended to provide a simple primer](#) for readers to better understand how real businesses that do international trade interact with each other and how that all relates to recent policy proposals. Local expertise on matters such as this can come from organizations like [NEOTEC's Global Trade Group](#) as well as the [Global Business Center](#) and [SBDC Export Assistance Network](#).

Broadband Imperative Roadshow: The Global Institute for the Study of the Intelligent Community will be hosting a roadshow in Hudson on January 24th. The organization is focused on creating an "Intelligent Ohio" through the deployment, access and use of broadband capabilities in urban, suburban and rural communities throughout the state. The two-hour event is free to attend and will include an overview of the broadband imperative, a brief case study of a community that has seen success through deployment and an hour of gathering input from attendees about their challenges and needs in order to move forward with deployment. For additional information and to register, please click [here](#).

Whatever Affects One Directly, Affects All Indirectly: Earlier this week, I found Dr. Martin Luther King's commencement address delivered to the graduates of Oberlin

College in June of 1965, entitled "Remaining Awake Through a Great Revolution." What an amazing message delivered in Northeast Ohio more than 50 years ago. As we honor Dr. King's legacy on Monday, please take a moment and read his address which contains so many important themes that still apply today.

Have a nice weekend,

Steve

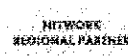
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Economic Development Network Celebration!

BE SURE TO REGISTER FOR CELEBRATION EVENT NEXT WEEK

We hope you can join us as we celebrate YOU and a winning economic development year as together we surpassed key success metrics for the region.

In addition to our celebration, we are delighted to have as our featured speaker **Dr. John C. Green**, a Distinguished Professor of Political Science at The University of Akron and Director of the Ray C. Bliss Institute of Applied Politics. He is also a Senior Fellow with the Pew Forum on Religion & Public Life. Dr. Green is widely known as an observer of Ohio and national politics, and he is frequently quoted in the national and international press. He often travels with Team NEO on our media relations visits. His insights are always candid, revealing and applicable.

- **DATE:** WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22
- **LOCATION:** EMBASSY SUITES HOTEL, INDEPENDENCE
- **TIME:** 3:30 PM– 5:00 PM – RECOGNITION PRESENTATION AND DR. GREEN PROGRAM. NETWORKING TO FOLLOW WITH HORS D'OEUVRES AND SPIRITS (**TWO COMPLIMENTARY DRINK TICKETS WILL BE PROVIDED**)

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Discover the Zoo's educational and economic impact on Ohio while networking with civic leaders at this VIP showcase hosted by State Senator John Eklund, State Representative and Majority Whip Tom Patton, and State Representative and Minority Whip Nickie Antonio. The program is sponsored by the Trustees of the Cleveland Zoological Society.

Monday, May 1, 2017

2 to 4 p.m.

Stillwater Place, Cleveland Metroparks Zoo
3900 Wildlife Way, Cleveland

Please arrive at the Zoo's main gate and Zoo Society staff members will escort you to Stillwater. Light refreshments will be served. Join us for a brief and dynamic presentation on the Zoo's strategic vision for science education and workforce development.

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Team NEO Economic Development Partners:

It is getting warmer in Northeast Ohio. The NCAA Final Four has now past. Professional golfers are in Augusta. And, our Indians will soon arrive at "the corner of Carnegie and Ontario." To me, that means spring is here! From an operating perspective, allow me to share some updates on our efforts over the past month:

Driver Industry Strategy/Strategic Calling

Our Attraction outreach accelerated in March, now that Mindy McLaughlin has settled in as our new Director of International Business Development, and cluster development continues to strengthen.

- Team NEO hosted a delegation of 11 European healthcare companies in coordination with SelectUSA, the federal government's FDI agency within the U.S. Department of Commerce. We hosted participants in Healthcare IT from the France, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Scotland, Sweden and UK. The program included presentations by BioEnterprise, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland Health-Tech Corridor, and JumpStart, among others. Team NEO currently has one active lead from this mission.
- The Northeast Ohio Additive Manufacturing Cluster, led jointly by Team NEO and the Youngstown Business Incubator, held its inaugural cluster meeting. Over 85 participants discussed the future of additive manufacturing in the region as well as opportunities for growth.
- The Smart Devices and Systems Cluster held its quarterly meeting. Over 60 participants heard a keynote address by Lev Gonick, CEO of Digital C. They also learned about ReADI, a Northeast Ohio Regional Accelerator for Digital Innovation, which provides support services to early stage startup companies in the region's core digital technology cluster.
- Mary Cierebiej and Jay Foran attended the Site Selectors Guild's Annual Conference in Arizona, meeting with 42 site consultant professionals from around the globe. Discussions concerning automation and the changing face of manufacturing, millennials and skilled workforce challenges were common throughout the conference. As part of the same trip, Mary and Jay met with four site consultants at CBRE's national site location center in Phoenix.
- Mary Cierebiej and Mindy McLaughlin traveled to Chicago to meet with two site selection consultant firms, as well as six international consulate offices. Discussions centered around BREXIT, NAFTA, and the new Administration's

position on trade agreements and how they might affect economic development efforts going forward.

High-Performance Network

The [Partner Portal](#) on our website is being continually updated with new content and materials. Please be sure to check it out and use the information provided in your planning and calling activities.

Strategic Marketing/Research Insights

The Marketing team launched a series of "optimized campaigns," which are campaigns retargeting previous prospects with new messaging. The content from previous campaigns is housed on our [Partner Portal](#).

We also finalized a 2017 update of a workforce supply/demand study originally conducted in 2014 by FutureWorks and funded by The Cleveland Foundation. The updated study looks at the relative balance between the types of degrees being conferred throughout the region and the demand from employers for those skills in 18 major occupation groups. Here are some initial findings:

- 58% of Northeast Ohio's residents have some post-secondary credential. In order to fill projected occupational demand in 2020, this should be 64% of residents.
- Regional supply and demand are aligned in only 3 of the 18 occupation groups analyzed (Architects & Engineering Technicians, Construction Trade Workers, Health Technologists & Technicians).
- Computer & IT, as well as Health Diagnosing & Treating Practitioners, have the highest regional demand and the largest gap in supply.

- Overall, there is a noticeable mismatch between the types of degrees being conferred, and the types of jobs in demand in the region.

Success and Performance Measurements

First quarter results provide a strong start to achieving year-end goals across most categories. Through March 31, we have closed 20 projects, generating 1,792 new jobs (33% of our annual goal), \$106M in new payroll (43% of our annual goal) and \$235M in capital investments (29% of our annual goal). Our results included four large projects that contributed 1,193 of the 1,792 jobs. Our second quarter pipeline looks promising.

Finally, I have highlighted a few of our most recent wins, which you can view by clicking [here](#).

I thank you for the work you are doing on behalf of our region.

All the Best,

Bill

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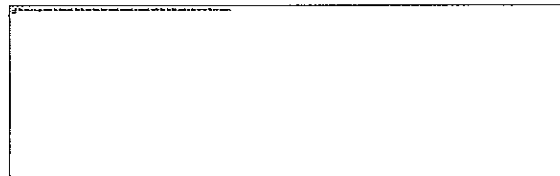
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LAND studio is excited to announce new artwork on the Public Square Art Wall by Cleveland artist Dakarai Akil.



Last week, Dakarai Akil installed a new mural on the backside of Rebol in Public Square as part of a rotating series of installations by local artists. Still to come this year are projects by Breanne Trammell, Terran Washington, Dante Rodriguez, and Justin Will. Make sure to check out the mural and stay tuned for updates on more temporary public art coming soon to Downtown Cleveland. Thank you to Brian Jasinski for the first Art Wall installation in 2016.

The rotating Cafe Art Wall installations are made possible through generous support from the Char and Chuck Fowler Family Foundation.



Cafe Art Wall installation by Brian Jasinski

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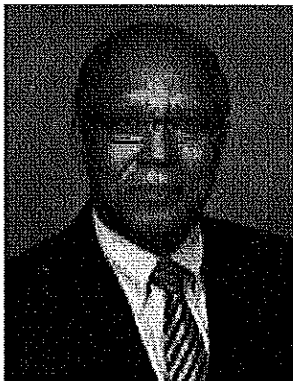
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Dear Colleagues,



This is a time of challenge and great responsibility for every lawmaker in the country. Each change of administration brings a measure of uncertainty, and the initiatives of the Trump administration are likely to change the direction of our country in significant ways and greatly affect how our states do business. Federal action on Medicaid, health care access, corporate and individual tax reform, infrastructure, education policy and more present real challenges—but also great opportunity for state legislatures.

It has never been more important than it is now for states to have a strong voice in the discussion and debate on the intricacies of federal policies as they move through Congress. And NCSL has never been a more critical asset to the states than it is now—and will be in the years to come.

NCSL stands with us. It works every day in Washington, D.C., to ensure our perspective is heard and respected. It will help us craft legislation to meet changes and mandates, offer expertise on the complex issues, come into our states to help us with policy, provide special briefings by phone and conduct meetings across the country when we need them.

NCSL will be with us as we once again become the key architects of U.S. domestic policy.

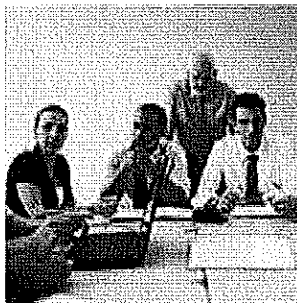
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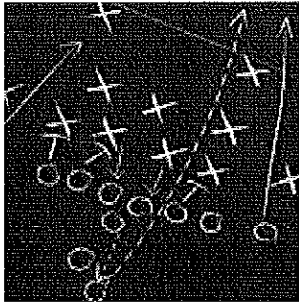
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NCSL in D.C. Congress and the Trump administration have been using the [Congressional Review Act](#) to rollback rules from the previous administration. An NCSL [opposed](#) Department of Education rule on teacher preparation was repealed this month when the president signed an NCSL supported joint resolution, which passed Congress with bipartisan support, disapproving the agency's final rule. NCSL sent a [letter](#) in opposition to a resolution of disapproval regarding a Department of Labor final rule addressing retirement savings arrangements established by states for small business employees. For more on what's going on in D.C., see the latest issue of [Capitol to Capitol](#).



Workforce Development Enactments. States are playing a pivotal role in making sure that people are trained for good jobs. In 2016, almost every state legislature considered bills that impact workforce development. [Read more](#) about workforce development strategies and a summary of state legislation.



States Tackle Health Care. With all the unknowns about future national legislation, states keep the ball rolling toward an efficient, affordable health care system. In *State Legislatures*, learn about [five things](#) states are doing with promising results. Also read about [improvements in traffic safety](#) and a Q&A with [Colorado House Speaker Crisanta Duran](#).

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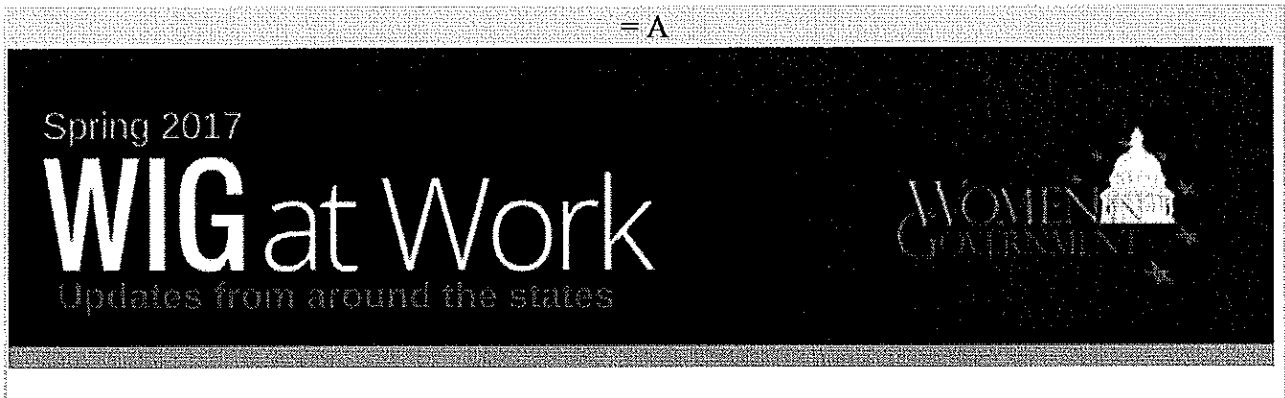
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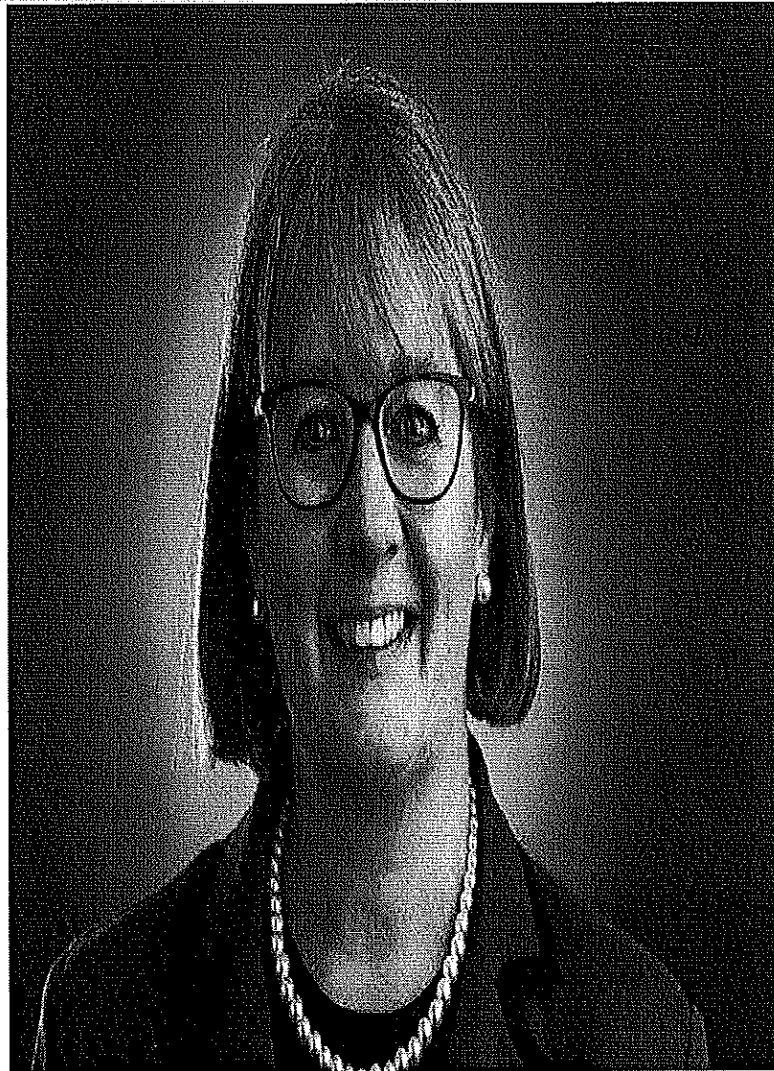
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MEET WOMEN IN GOVERNMENT'S 2017 NATIONAL BOARD VICE CHAIR

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Representative Stacey Guerin (R-Maine) has been involved with Women In Government for many years. She began her involvement with the organization in 2012 as a State Director and joined the board of directors in 2013. First elected in 2010, Representative Guerin is serving in her 4th term in the Maine State Legislature. Representative Guerin serves as the ranking minority member of the Judiciary Committee.

Before her time in public office, Representative Guerin was running her small business with her husband as well as being involved in various groups in Maine, including being a member of the Maine School Nutrition Association, the Maine Restaurant Association, and the Greater Bangor Area Chamber of Commerce, among others.



Meet WIG's New Executive Director Lucy Gettman

On April 3, 2017, WIG welcomed new executive director Lucy Gettman. Coming from the National School Boards Association, Lucy brings her expertise working with fifty state school board associations and skills as Chief Advocacy Officer to WIG. Her deep legislative and organizational leadership experience is driven by past positions with Reading Recovery Council of North America, Ohio House of Representatives, Ohio Attorney General's Office and the Inter-University Council of Ohio. She has been intimately involved with Women In Government Relations and teaches courses on women and political leadership at American University where she received the Alice Paul Faculty Award in 2014. "I'm excited to be on board as WIG tackles the policy and political challenges facing women legislators around the country," Gettman says, "WIG is poised to do to great things for our members now and in the future." Help us welcome Lucy to WIG!

Stay-at-Work/Return-to-Work

U.S. Labor Department's Office of Disability
Employment Policy Collaborative



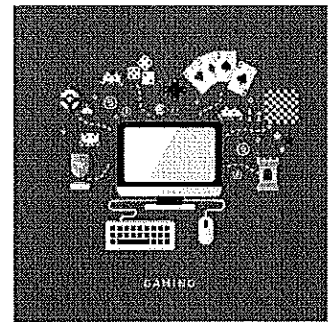
Now through April 21, you are invited to join the Transition Back to Work Online Dialogue hosted in support of the U.S. Labor Department's Office of Disability Employment Policy's Stay-at-Work/Return-To-Work (SAW/RTW) Policy Collaborative and its efforts to develop strategies and practices to promote the return-to-work process for workers.

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Online Gaming

Do You Enjoy a Game of Fantasy Sports? States Struggling to Determine Control

Millions of Americans enjoy playing fantasy sports with family and friends for fun and bragging rights in their casual office pools and rotisserie-style leagues. But this activity is not the same as the exploding business of online daily fantasy sports gambling operated by a relatively new corporate industry. Many states across the nation are struggling with the question of whether and how to allow online daily fantasy sports gambling, including how it could factor into state gambling laws, amid a legislative push to treat daily fantasy gambling as a game of skill.

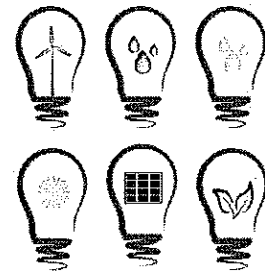


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Renewable Energy

Nevada Reviews Legislation around Various Sources of Renewable Energy

Nevada's Energy Portfolio - first adopted by the legislature in 1997 - states that 25% of electricity sales are to come from renewable energy resources by 2025; in 2015, 20.3% of net electricity generation came from geothermal, solar, wind, biomass, and hydroelectric power sources.



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Economic Stability and Opportunities Advisory Council

Taking steps toward best practices to empower vulnerable families

With support from the Annie E. Casey Foundation, this important member-informed work began in August 2016 in conjunction with the National Conference of State Legislatures' Summit in Chicago. After substantial discussion, the council members determined that a 'basic needs' approach must focus on hunger, childcare, healthcare, education, transportation, safety, housing, and jobs and employment.

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The Juvenile Justice System State Actions Around Juvenile Justice Reform

In the last five years states have begun revisiting their policies related to juvenile justice with the hopes of improving overall justice systems. When evaluating state laws from 2011-2016, several trends emerge: omnibus reforms; returning jurisdiction to the juvenile system; prevention and intervention reform; due process and defense reform; adequate mental health training; eliminating racial and ethnic disparities; and re-entry/aftercare.

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Arts Education in the States Kennedy Center Award

Do you know a deserving woman state legislator in your state positively impacting arts education? As a strong supporter of the arts, Women In Government (WIG) is proud to announce a joint award where The Kennedy Center and WIG will recognize a woman state legislator for outstanding support of the arts in her state. As the nation's performing arts center, the Kennedy Center is delighted to partner with WIG to encourage support of the arts at the state or local level through this inaugural award.

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WIG Supporters at Work: Pfizer's work on Metastatic Breast Cancer



At the Seventh Annual Women in Government Healthcare Summit in November 2016, a panel of speakers shared recommended action items for legislators to increase support for those living with metastatic breast cancer (MBC), the most advanced stage of breast cancer for which there is currently no cure. In collaboration with Pfizer, WIG presented experts Leslie Koby and MBC patient Beth Fairchild to share their stories with women state legislators from around the country.

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Get to Know the 24%

Assemblywoman Lisa Krasner

When Randy Kirner decided not to seek re-election to represent Nevada's Assembly District 26, Lisa Krasner saw an opening. Krasner, the first person in her family to attend a four-year university and receive a law degree, was teaching political science courses at a local community college when she decided on making a change.



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Early Bird Registration is Open!

Women In Government's National Legislative Summit
Thursday, June 22 - Saturday, June 24
ARIA Las Vegas Resort & Casino
Las Vegas, Nevada

Gather with women state legislators and executive branch officials as we examine key policy issues confronting policymakers today. Learn from state and national

experts and participate in focused breakout sessions addressing topics all states are facing such as state pension programs, budget debates, renewable energy, human trafficking, gaming industry's impact on state economies, education choice programs, and more!

While at the conference, bring bills to share during WIG's Open Mic Networking Bill Share Breakfast and leave with concrete tools to move your work forward as you meet with old and new friends from across the aisle and across the country.

Opportunities for conference support and other attendance options are available. For more information on registration, please contact Women In Government staff.

Dates to remember

May 22- Legislator Early Bird Registration ends

May 31- Room Block cut-off deadline

June 21- WIG Board Meeting

June 22- Summit kicks off in Las Vegas style!

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Mark your calendars for Women In Government's upcoming 2017 National Conferences!

National Legislative Summit

June 22-24, 2017 | ARIA Resort & Casino | Las Vegas, Nevada

The State of Nevada is excited to host WIG and looks forward to showing a side 'beyond the strip' through a variety of activities with community stakeholders to combine with WIG's exciting policy-specific conference programming.

National Legislative Forum

September 14-16, 2017 | Savannah Marriott Riverfront | Savannah, Georgia

Savannah combines all the best of its historic past with a thriving port and WIG will be right in the center of it all, so bring your walking shoes! Join your colleagues for in-depth policy discussions and interactive sessions on trending state policy issues.

23rd Annual State Directors' & Newly Elected Legislators' Conference

November 8-9, 2017 | Dupont Circle Hotel | Washington, D.C.

Eighth Annual Healthcare Summit

November 8-11, 2017 | Dupont Circle Hotel, Washington, DC

Come for one or stay for both as WIG combines its signature National Conferences in a single location right in our nation's capital! State Directors and Newly Elected Legislators will enjoy media and communication training and look forward to hot topics for 2018. Then WIG offers the annual Healthcare Summit to focus on a variety of critical policy sessions. Be part of WIG's Kennedy Center Award Night and participate in a special service project to honor our Veterans.

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ANNOUNCING THE 2017 INDIVIDUAL EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNERS

77 Ohio artists received Individual Excellence Awards totaling \$375,000. These awards are peer recognition of creative artists for the exceptional merit of a body of their work that advances or exemplifies the discipline and the larger artistic community. These awards support artists' growth and development and recognize their work in Ohio and beyond.

SEE THE INDIVIDUAL EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNERS

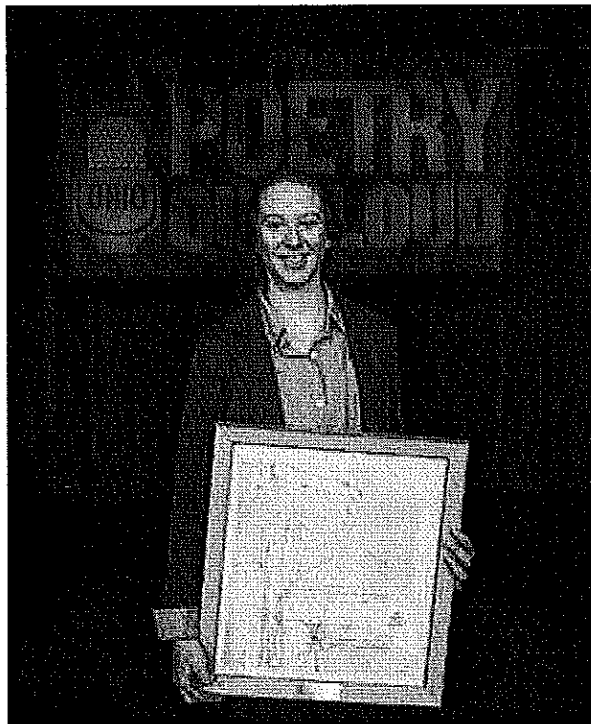


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CONGRATULATIONS TO KAREN WALDBILLIG KASICH

Ohio Citizens for the Arts has selected Karen Waldbillig Kasich as the 2017 recipient of the William R. Joseph Ohio Arts Advocacy Medal. The award will be presented alongside the Governor's Awards at the 2017 Arts Day & Governor's Awards luncheon on May 17 at noon at the Columbus Athenaeum.

LEARN MORE ABOUT KAREN WALDBILLIG KASICH



2017 POL NATIONAL COMPETITION IN WASHINGTON D.C.

April 25-26, Ohio *POL* State Champion Madeleine Schroeder will compete in Washington, D.C. at the National *POL* Competition. Cheer Madeleine on from your home or school through the [NEA's website](#).

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE OHIO POL WINNER

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Accessibility 201: RELAX AND CREATE SENSORY-FRIENDLY EXPERIENCES

Today: Join Erin J. Hoppe of VSA Ohio for our follow-up to our [Increasing Access: Opening Doors for People with Disabilities](#) webinar. Erin will dive into specific best practices for sensory-friendly programs in theatres, galleries, and other spaces. There's still time to [register](#)!

Click. Click. Done: Developing Your Google Analytics Skills

May 25, 1:30 p.m.: Ceci Dadisman and Drew McManus will take us through the nuts and bolts of metrics to better understand the reporting tools inside Google Analytics. All attendees will receive step-by-step guides for creating custom reports, copies of all presentation materials, and the chance to implement skills in real time. [Register](#) today!

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**SPOTLIGHT ON THE 2017
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Get to know the winners through the words of their supporters. Head to the ArtsOhio blog to learn more: [Raymond Bobgan](#), [Jim McCutcheon](#), [SMARTS](#), [Puffin Foundation West](#), [ProMedica](#), [Peoples Bank](#), [Linda Stone MD, C.F.](#), [Payne](#), and [Procter & Gamble](#).



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NEXT AT THE OAC RIFFE GALLERY: AFTER HOURS

Inspired by the gallery's 1989 exhibition showcasing the work of Vern Riffe Center employees, the 2017 exhibition will feature artwork by 43 state employees across Ohio. Photography, sculpture, textiles, and painting highlight the diversity of state of Ohio employees' artistic voices.

LEARN MORE ABOUT AFTER HOURS: ARTWORK BY STATE OF OHIO EMPLOYEES

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April 24: *Poetry Out Loud* National Finals in Washington, D.C.

May 17: Governor's Awards for the Arts in Ohio

May 24: ArtSTART Panel Meeting

June 1: Building Cultural Diversity, Capacity Building, ADAP Deadline

Upcoming Panel Meeting

ArtSTART Panel Meeting: May 24 @ 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Coming Soon | OAC Riffe Gallery

May 4-July 8, 2017: *AFTER HOURS*

Artwork by State of Ohio Employees

Photography, sculpture, textiles, and painting highlight the diversity of state of Ohio employees' artistic voices.

May 4: *AFTER HOURS* Opening Reception

May 5: Exhibition Tour

May 13: Family and Friends Playshop with Cyrus Fire

Lobby Exhibition

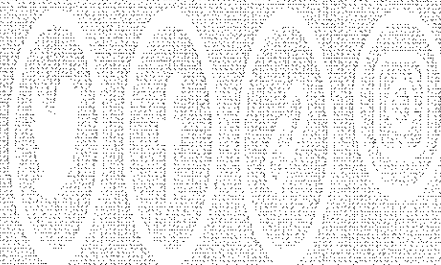
March 28 - April 23: *The Collage of Women Artists*

Artwork by female amateur and professional artists who grow, show, and paint together.

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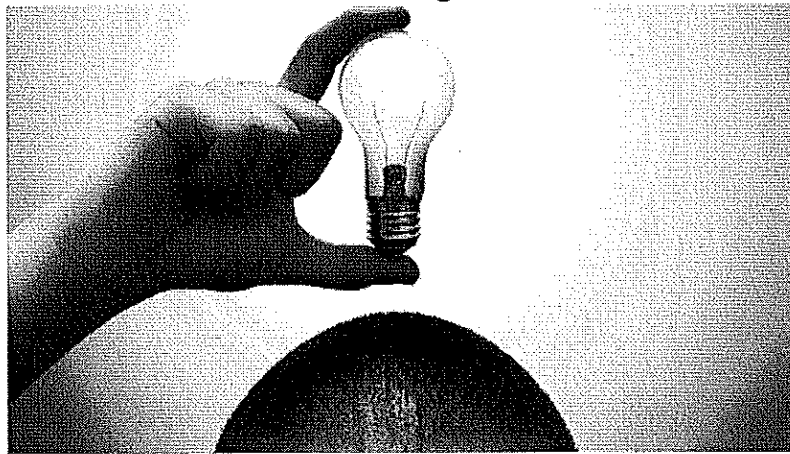
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Ohio, other states brace for big decisions under GOP health care changes (Akron Beacon Journal, 5/8/2017)

Proposals would ban schools from challenging property taxes or make them pay opponent's attorneys when they lose (Akron Beacon Journal, 5/8/2017)

Kasich: GOP-passed health bill falls 'woefully' short (Canton Repository, 5/8/2017)

He wants Trump's voters to vote without saying 'Trump' (Cincinnati Enquirer, 5/8/2017)

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Charter schools want more money to have "funding equity" with districts (Cleveland Plain Dealer, 5/8/2017)

Is Dennis Kucinich right about charter schools draining dollars from districts? Mostly. Here's how (Cleveland Plain Dealer, 5/8/2017)

John Kasich pans new Republican healthcare bill: Ohio Politics Roundup (Cleveland Plain Dealer, 5/8/2017)

Republicans Dave Joyce and Mike Turner explain why they voted against GOP healthcare bill: Ohio Politics Roundup (Cleveland Plain Dealer, 5/8/2017)

Capitol Insider: Budget-bill mystery recalls 'midnight amendments' of long ago (Columbus Dispatch, 5/8/2017)

ECOT rally attendance requirement sparks backlash (Columbus Dispatch, 5/8/2017)

Jon Husted makes it official: He's running for governor (Columbus Dispatch, 5/8/2017)

Kasich slams House GOP over health-care bill (Columbus Dispatch, 5/8/2017)

Obamacare elimination could cost Ohio \$16-\$22 billion (Columbus Dispatch, 5/8/2017)

Spending bills get little scrutiny from Congress, critics say (Dayton Daily News, 5/8/2017)

Who is running for Ohio governor? (Dayton Daily News, 5/8/2017)

Kasich says he needs leverage over drug makers (Toledo Blade, 5/8/2017)

Ohio farmers seek tax reduction (Toledo Blade, 5/8/2017)

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If it's Friday, it must be L.A. for Kasich (Akron Beacon Journal, 5/8/2017)

Commentary: Collaboration vital in battle against opioid epidemic (Canton Repository, 5/8/2017)

Lead-poisoning fix to safeguard Ohio children must be high on Ohio Senate's to-do list: editorial (Cleveland Plain Dealer, 5/8/2017)

Rural Republicans at center of opioid tsunami among Ohioans likely to suffer most from GOP's Medicaid cuts: Thomas Suddes (Cleveland Plain Dealer, 5/8/2017)

Column: Health-care proposal would hurt Trump's Ohioans (Columbus Dispatch, 5/8/2017)

Editorial: Risky goofs inspire Statehouse whodunnit (Columbus Dispatch, 5/8/2017)

Constitutional convention is a bad idea for Ohio, US (Youngstown Vindicator, 5/8/2017)

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A Tribute to Prince

A ferocious guitar player and magnetic performer, Prince was a sonic omnivore.

He devoured funk, R&B, rock, synthpop, classic rock and blues—to name a few—and melded them into a singular sound that was defiantly, distinctly his own.

LET'S GO CRAZY



Exclusive Interview: Jerry Only, The Misfits

On April 18, 1977 The Misfits made their onstage debut in the hotbed of U.S. punk rock at the iconic CBGB in New York City.

Forty years later, the legendary punks continue to impact the scene. Bassist Jerry Only gave us his view on the band's legacy, the 2016 reunion concerts and which new items are on display.

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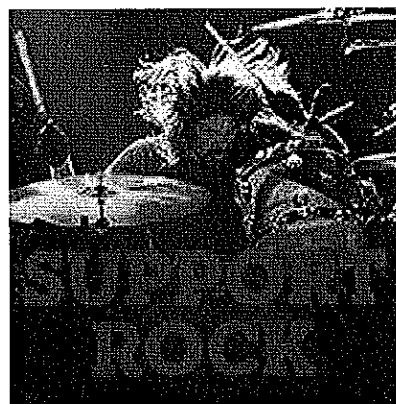
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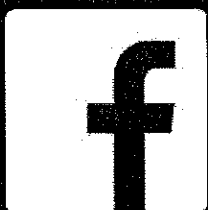
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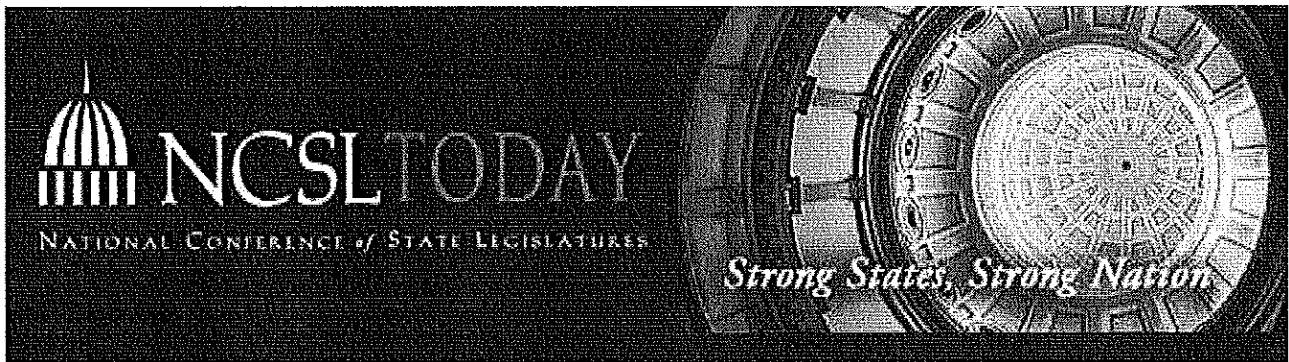
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Would 'raise the age' laws reduce recidivism?

Stateline

Several states that prosecute 16-year-old offenders as adults are reconsidering that approach.

Supreme Court agrees to hear Ohio voting rights case

Columbus Dispatch

The U.S. Supreme Court agreed Tuesday to hear a case on whether Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted was correct in his decision to cancel the voting registrations of those who had failed to vote during a two-year period.

Missouri to limit union rules in public construction

Reuters

The measure bans cities and counties from requiring union working conditions in bids for public projects partly funded by the state, using what are known as "project labor agreements." The measure threatens local governments that do so with the loss of state funding and tax credits.

NCSL's Jackson Brainerd quoted.

States no longer fretting over federal tax reform this year

Bloomberg BNA

The pressure to go into special session or take immediate action this year in response to federal tax reform no longer



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exists for state lawmakers and governors. **NCSL's Max Behlke** quoted.

Kansas lawmakers advance education plan, reject tax increase

Wichita Eagle

Kansas legislators moved closer Tuesday to approving a plan to increase the state's spending on public schools even as they rejected another proposal for increasing income taxes to pay for it and fix the state budget.

This is what happens when a nuclear plant shuts down

Governing

Plans to close an infamous plant were just announced. Such closures can be devastating for local economies — even more so than when mining and manufacturing ceases to exist in a town.

NCSL report: State Options to Keep Nuclear in the Energy Mix.

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Special edition of Capitol-to-Capitol on Trump's budget

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Federal money helps states combat opioid epidemic

Recently, \$485 million in total grant funds were awarded to all 50 states by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The grants are the first of two rounds of funding provided by the federal 21st Century Cures Act of 2016 and are intended to "increase access to treatment, reduce unmet need, and reduce overdose related deaths."



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Does Donald Trump Still Think Climate Change Is a Hoax? No One Can Say

By PETER BAKER

No one working for President Trump who was sent out to explain his decision on the Paris accords knows or would say if he believes in climate change.

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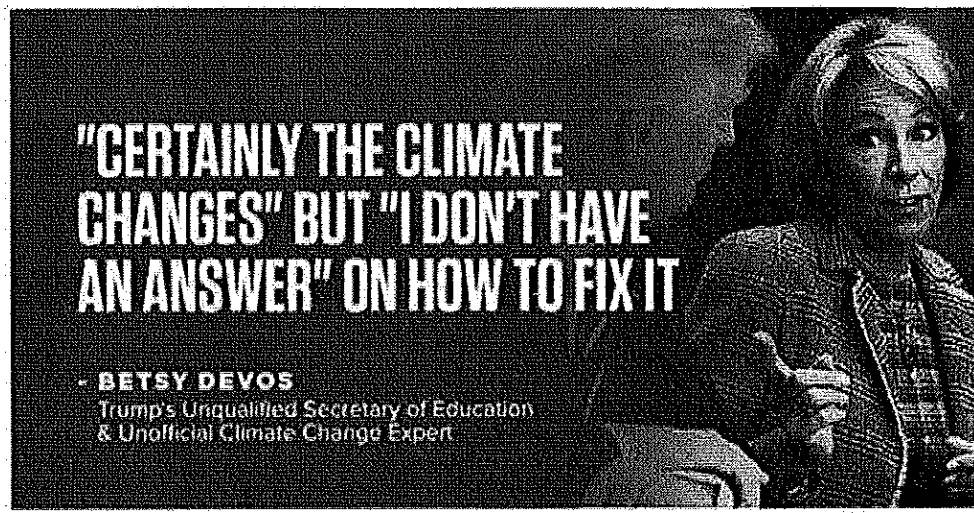
Subject: Betsy DeVos, Trump Climate Change Expert

Betsy DeVos, Michigan's longtime anti-public school crusader and America's current unqualified Secretary of Education, is now apparently Trump's unofficial climate change expert.

On Thursday, she issued a statement in support of his incomprehensible decision to pull the U.S. out of the Paris Climate Agreement.

But, yesterday, when asked about her thoughts on climate change, DeVos responded, **"Certainly the climate changes" but "I don't have an answer" on how to fix it.**

Huh? Maybe by not pulling out of an historic international agreement to stop climate change?



It's bad enough she's running the Department of Education (into the ground), but now she's weighing in on environmental policy, another area she clearly knows nothing about.

We're fighting back with the facts, but we need your help to step it up and

keep it up. **Can you chip in \$5, \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100, or whatever you can afford right now?**

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President Trump has announced that America will abandon its allies and back out of the most groundbreaking international climate agreement in history. This move puts America last, and will have disastrous consequences for our country.

It undermines our place on the world stage, puts the health of Americans at risk as we breathe dirtier air, and jeopardizes homegrown manufacturing jobs spurred by the clean energy economy in parts of our country left behind by globalization—all while dialing up the disastrous ramifications of climate change.

With a presidential administration that's gambling with our future, we need Congress to stop hiding in the back seat and step up to fulfill their responsibilities.

Take action with EDF today, and tell your elected officials that it's time to act on climate.

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Browns Owner Jimmy Haslam praises LeBron James at NAACP dinner

BY MARK NAYMIK, CLEVELAND.COM
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CLEVELAND, Ohio - Cleveland Browns owner Jimmy Haslam said Saturday night that Cleveland Cavaliers star LeBron James showed "class and dignity" in how he has responded to his home being vandalized with racist graffiti on the eve of the NBA Finals.

Haslam made the remarks at the beginning of a speech at the Cleveland Chapter of the NAACP's Freedom Fund Dinner at the Cleveland Renaissance Hotel. The NAACP honored Haslam for making the front office of the Cleveland Browns among the most diverse in the National Football League.

Earlier in evening, NAACP President Michael Nelson also praised James for his response to the racist slur directed at him, noting that it is another reminder of need to continue to work for civil rights.

James has been widely praised for his comments.

"No matter how much money you have, no matter how famous you are, no matter how many people admire you, being black in America is -- it's tough," James said Wednesday. "And we got a long way to go for us as a society and for us as African-Americans until we feel equal in America."

Haslam briefly talked about the Browns before making his formal remarks, promising to continue to do everything he can to field a winning team. He then joked that "we are minorities in the front office," referring to his wife and Browns co-owner Dee Haslam. The remark won laughter and applause.

Haslam said he wasn't deserving but considered the recognition a great honor. He said he wants the same level of diversity of the Browns to spill over to his family business, Pilot Flying J, where he said there is more to do.

He said he grew up in Knoxville, Tennessee, which is "as white as you can get." He said working in the NFL was his "first experience with diversity."

He received wide applause and a partial standing ovation at the conclusion of his remarks.

He was one of several Cleveland leaders honored Saturday night at the fundraiser. Other honorees included Cleveland Municipal Court Judge Ronald B. Adrine. Actor and author Hill Harper gave the keynote address.

Saturday's event marked the return of the once annual NAACP dinner, which was cancelled in recent years as the NAACP tried to rebuild its organization. The event drew hundreds of people, many of them corporate leaders, elected officials and non-profit leaders.

Several Cleveland mayoral candidates attended, including Cleveland Council members Jeffrey Johnson and Zack Reed, Brandon Chrostowski, president and CEO of the nonprofit Edwins Leadership and Restaurant Institute, and Tony Madalone, founder and owner of Fresh Brewed Tees, who only recently announced his intent to run for mayor. He was seated next to his friend and former Cleveland Browns player Josh Cribbs. (Cleveland Mayor Frank Jackson was not spotted at the event.)

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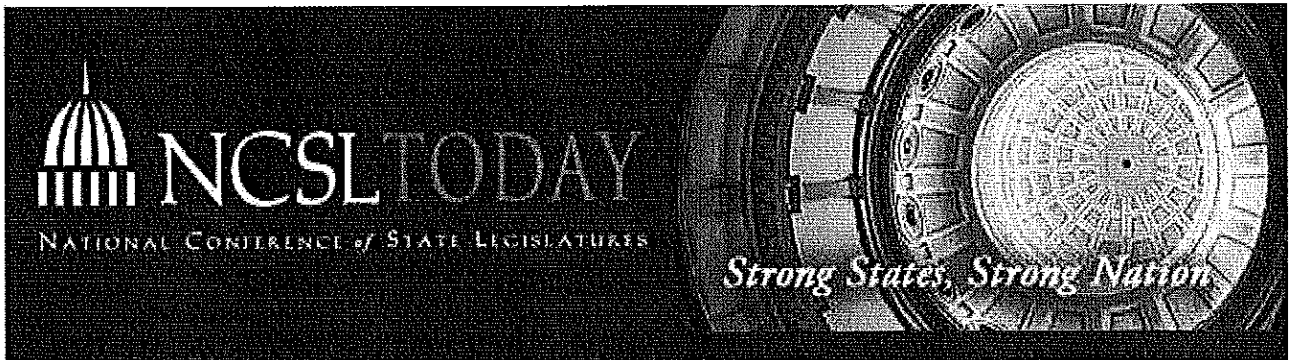
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The Hill

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A Letter From the Desk of, *Inez Feltscher Stepman*

Dear Kirk,

I hope you are looking forward to the great meeting we're planning for you in Denver! We'll be discussing some timely topics in our task force meeting, from updates to our education savings account and tax credit scholarship plans, to due process on university campuses, to the proper role of the federal government when it comes to education and advancing school choice.

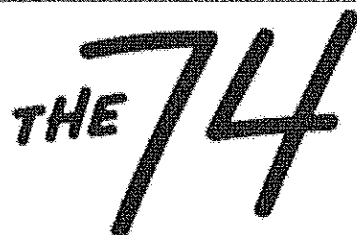
The past couple months have been busy here at ALEC. Last Wednesday, alongside other great organizations like TTPF, The Heritage Foundation, and the Goldwater Institute, ALEC released a letter to Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos, commending her for her continued support of education choice, as well as recommending some solutions that would advance choice while rolling back Washington, D.C.'s heavy hand in education policy. I also co-authored a policy paper with Lindsey Burke, who directs the Center for Education Policy at The Heritage Foundation, on the potential universal education savings accounts offered in the great state of Texas.

Unfortunately, education choice has suffered two setbacks in the past month. First, a great Texas coalition took education savings accounts right down to the wire, but the legislature failed to pass the special needs program at the last minute. And second, the Nevada legislature adjourned without funding the more than

8,000 families *already* signed up for the state's near-universal eligibility ESA program. These setbacks will just make us more determined to fight harder to empower parents with the choices that suit their children, not a distant bureaucrat or an arbitrary district line, best.

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Sincerely,

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"A year from now you may wish you had started today."

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Mid-Year Check Up

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2017 has been interesting to say the least, and by most accounts, a wild ride. Economic activity has been good for much of the country and in some areas like the Columbus Region, building cranes fill the skies and orange barrels signal new roads being built to handle the growth.

It is hard to believe that we are now half way done with the year. It's time for a check up on our goals, progress on key initiatives and "half-time" adjustments to finish the year. May 2017 figures tell us that the Columbus Region has added over **144,000 net new jobs** since the beginning of this decade, eclipsing any historical measure for the Region. Unemployment is low, wages are rising, poverty rates are being reduced, and opportunities abound. As an economic developer, these are great signs.

Our team knows that we can never stop improving in an effort to not only continue to our progress, but to fend off the many disruptive forces at work across our region's core industries and within our communities.

Our review will start with people. Nothing — *nothing* — happens without great people. We will first check in on how individuals within our team are doing and how the unit as a whole is operating. Second, we need to review our pipeline and speak to our customers. While this is done regularly, mid-year is a great time to intently assess what we have and where we are going, and customers offer the best insight. Third, how is our product? Do we have the buildings, sites, infrastructure and talent we need to succeed? Where are we strong and

where can we begin to invest?

A final thought for your mid-year review: As our great friend Jason Barger would say, it is time to step back to observe, gather insight, and set the thermostat for the rest of the year.

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-Kenny McDonald

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COLUMBUS 2020 UPDATE

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- Our team joined the leadership of the Mid-Ohio Development Exchange (MODE) for a retreat at the Granville Inn last week, where we focused on strategies and plans for the Columbus Region's future. Thank you to our special guests, Huntington CEO Steve Steinour and Denison President Adam Weinberg, for sharing their insights with us and to Gail Froelicher of Kinetic Insights for serving as our facilitator.
- This week, the Columbus 2020 team is hosting companies evaluating the Columbus Region. We're also in New York for the Summer Fancy Food Show, the largest specialty food industry trade event in North America.

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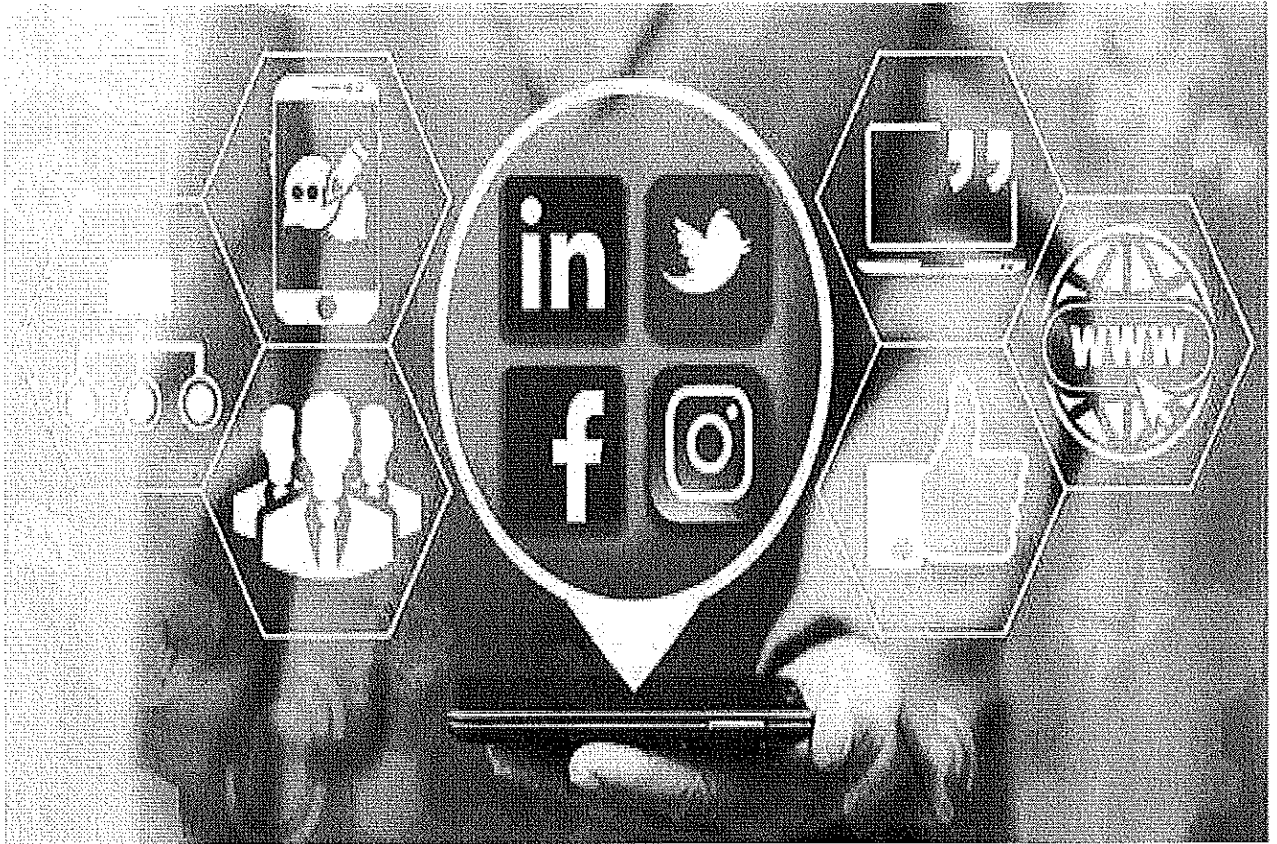
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CEOs on Social Reap Power of Direct Communication

Elon Musk, Richard Branson, Bill Gates and Arianna Huffington all have one thing in common - they are among the rare breed of organizational leader who takes a personal role in leveraging the power of mass communications.

It's not just the household names of the corporate world who have discovered the tremendous value of communicating directly with the public. CEOs such as Humana's Bruce Broussard, with 191,000 LinkedIn followers; Unilever's Paul Polman, with 34,000 Twitter followers; and HotelTonight's Sam Shank, with 20,000 Twitter followers have established themselves as the faces and voices of

their brands in a concrete, recognizable way. Anand Mahindra, executive chairman of Mahindra Group, boasts a whopping 5 million Twitter followers.

Of course, being seen and heard requires using the most effective channels available. Many executives recognize this. A study by Weber Shandwick found that 76 percent of all executives think CEOs should be active on social media. But according to a report by CEO.com, most CEOs seem uncomfortable with this role. Some 60 percent of Fortune 500 CEOs have no social media presence at all. Of those who do, 70 percent use only LinkedIn.

In fact, as people like Chrysler's Lee Iacocca proved even before the advent of social media, CEOs are positioned to be the most effective communicators in their organizations.

Here's why: They possess superior knowledge in their areas of expertise. They care deeply about their businesses and their brands. They have credibility because of their accomplishments or their standing within their industries. They have the power of persuasion to change behavior.= A

Embracing the power of social media requires CEOs to find the time, the tone and the most effective platforms for telling their stories. Twitter, for example, may support a B2B company's earned media efforts while LinkedIn may give that same company a direct line of communications with its prospective customers.

Regardless of the specific approach to social media, there's no doubt that leveraging the power of the C-suite can help organizations win the communication battle, while ignoring it gives up the fight before it's even begun.

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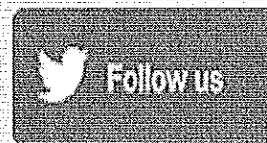
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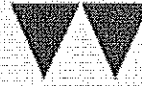
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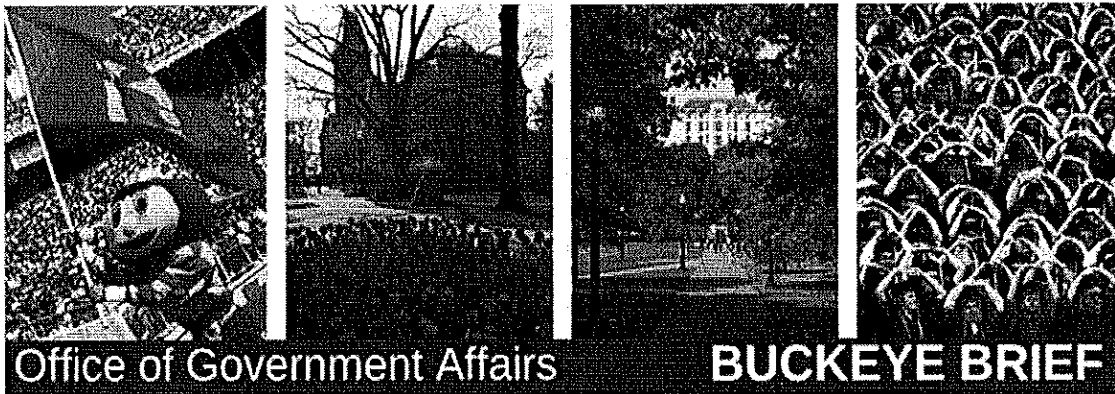
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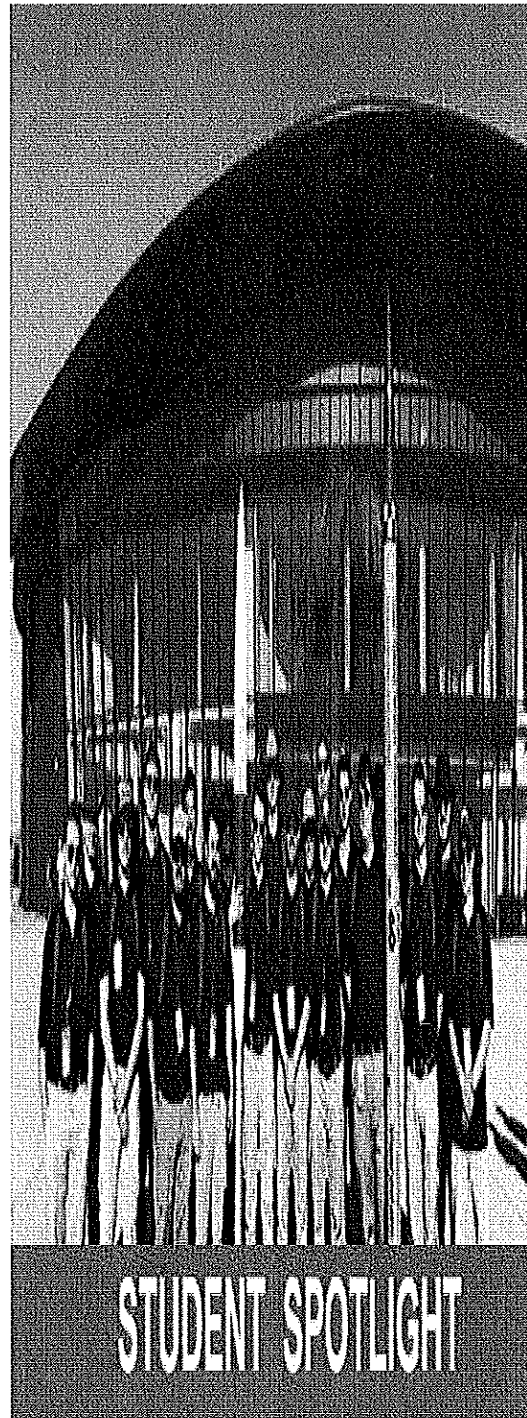


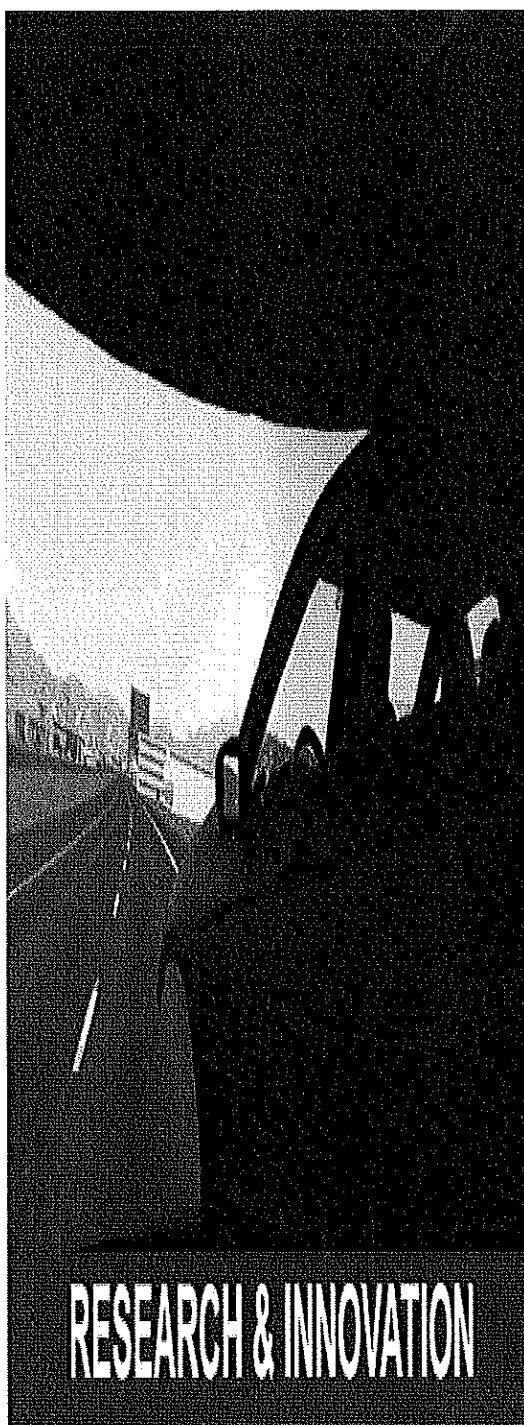
Mattis Receives Excellence in Public Service Award

United States Secretary of Defense Jim Mattis received the John Glenn College of Public Affairs' 2017 Excellence in Public Service Award for his commitment to citizenship and public leadership at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., June 20, 2017. Mattis said he was humbled by the award. "It's not about me," he said. "It's about public service. We're trying to build a country here, and it's never done." Before the ceremony, Mattis spent time with the 31 Ohio State students in the Glenn College's Washington Academic Internship Program answering questions and discussing leadership and service.

President Drake Leads State Tours

Ohio State President Michael V. Drake joined students, staff, alumni, elected officials and community leaders in seven cities and five counties as part of the university's annual State Tour. The trip through southeastern Ohio featured a community opioid forum, a look at the Muskingum River stabilization project and a partnership with AEP's Conesville Power Plant. The tour also included a showcase for the university's engagement with the Columbus Zoo at the Wilds, a visit to Senator John Glenn's childhood home and a pit stop featuring Brutus Buckeye at Tom's Ice Cream Bowl. The state tours continue in July in southwest Ohio and in August in northern Ohio.





Buckeyes Take First Place in Rocket Competition

The Buckeye Space Launch Initiative soared to first place at the Spaceport America Cup in New Mexico in June. The annual competition challenges teams of college students to design, build and launch solid-, liquid- or hybrid-fuel rockets to a targeted altitude. The five-day event attracted more than 100 teams from across the world. The team of 21 Ohio State students earned top honors in the 30,000-foot Student Researched and Designed (SRAD) solid fuel rocket category. Their nine-foot long rocket, named Brutus II, soared to an altitude of 23,232 feet with a full 3U payload – the largest of any other rocket competing in the 30K field. Of the 10 other teams in the same category, only five actually launched, and just three had successful flights.

Risk Institute Working to Curb

Distracted Driving

Academic leaders from across The Ohio State University recently met with James Burke, director of advance training for the Ohio Attorney General's Office, Mary Davis, executive director of the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission, and Stephen Schumaker, deputy attorney general for law enforcement, and provided them with a tour of Ohio State's Driving Simulation Laboratory as part of an effort to raise awareness of the university's efforts to address the growing problem of distracted driving. Led by The Risk Institute at Fisher College of Business, the Distracted Driving Initiative has brought together 26 companies, government entities and researchers to combine leading research with industry expertise to predict and curb distracted driving behaviors.

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Right-to-Work Is Right for America

This week is National Employee Freedom Week (NEFW), an annual effort started by the Nevada Policy Research Institute and the Association of American Educators to highlight the benefits of giving employees the freedom to opt out of union membership. The Heartland Institute is one of many participating organizations in NEFW.

Currently, there are 28 states with right-to-work (RTW) legislation, which gives workers the right to refrain from joining a union, including not having to pay union dues or fees, without being penalized.

A newly released NEFW study compares the attitudes, performances, and management of union employees in RTW states compared to those in non-RTW states. When asked about contract negotiations, working conditions, job security, fringe benefits, and number of hours worked, union members in both RTW states and non-RTW states rated these factors highly, with no significant differences between their ratings.

Opponents of RTW say union members in non-RTW states are significantly disadvantaged, but the study found members in both RTW and non-RTW states “expressed broad support [above 70 percent] for the opportunity to regularly vote on whether to keep representation from their current union (a process often called ‘recertification.’)”

RTW policies also have been proven to have a positive economic impact on state economies. A survey of CNBC’s Global CFO Council members shows two-thirds believe RTW laws are “important” or “very important” when it comes to business location or expansion. States

with these policies have attracted more businesses, experienced greater job growth, and *increased union membership* compared to states without RTW laws, such as Illinois.

As Senior Policy Analyst Matthew Glans describes in a recent *Research & Commentary* on the subject, “States enacting RTW policies have experienced positive economic progress across the board. Regionally, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, and Wisconsin have passed RTW and experienced far greater job growth than Illinois has over the same period.”

Ball State University professor Michael Hicks concluded in his 2016 study on the effect right-to-work laws have on worker productivity: “We estimate a Cobb-Douglas production function for manufacturing industries at the state level and find that total factor productivity in non-RTW states was about 57 percent of the level in RTW states. ... Furthermore, our firm-level analysis from the 2007 Survey of Business Owners found that RTW states achieved higher productivity (sales per employee) than firms in non-RTW states.”

Additionally, a 2014 Gallup poll found a majority of Americans, Democrats and Republicans alike, approve of RTW laws. Seventy-one percent of respondents said they would vote for such laws and 82 percent said they believe “no American should be required to join any private organization, like a labor union, against his will.”

Union membership rates are at all-time lows, and RTW law adoptions are at all-time highs. State legislators should consider carefully this trend toward embracing employee freedom and implement right-to-work legislation in their own state.

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Research & Commentary: Existing Accountability Laws for Milwaukee Parental Choice Voucher Program Working as Designed

In this *Research & Commentary*, Policy Analyst Tim Benson writes about a new report from the Wisconsin Institute for Law and Liberty that found the accountability provisions for the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program, an important school choice policy, are working as intended, helping to remove low-performing and unsafe schools from the program and allowing high-quality schools to grow. [Read more](#)

Energy & Environment

Fossil-Fuel Divestment Could Cost Public Pensions Big Bucks, Study Finds

In this article for *Environment & Climate News*, Managing Editor H. Sterling Burnett writes about a new study compiled by Compass Lexicon that shows fossil-fuel divestment is costly

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to investors. According to the report, university endowments and public employee pension funds that bow to environmentalists' demands that they divest their holdings from companies involved with the fossil-fuel industry could suffer significant losses, or at a minimum, have their endowments, portfolios, and retirement funds grow by substantially less than they otherwise would. The report notes environmental groups have already pressured more than 1,000 universities and state and city retirement funds to divest their holdings of stocks and bonds in companies that finance, produce, transport, or burn fossil fuels to produce electricity, which they blame for numerous alleged environmental problems and climate change. [Read more](#)

Budget & Tax

Research & Commentary: Reducing COLAs to Bring Pension Costs Down

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In this *Research & Commentary*, Senior Policy Analyst Matthew Glans examines state pension reform and the effects of changing cost of living adjustments. "Taxpayers cannot afford for states to continue overpromising and underfunding their pension plans. States should consider reducing COLAs or ending automatic COLAs outright," wrote Glans. [Read more](#)

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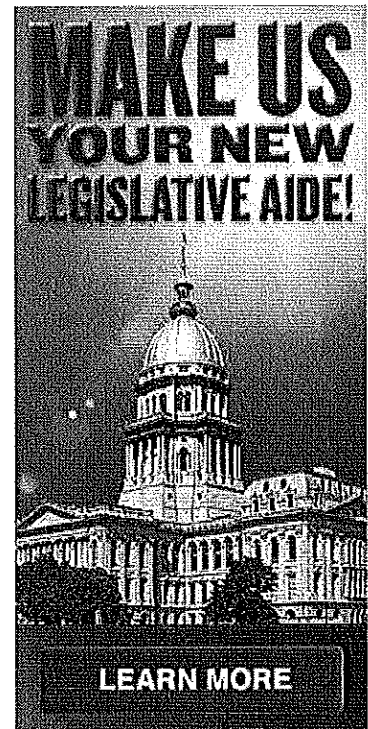
Heartland Daily Podcast: Only Liberty Can Loose the Gordian Knot of Health Care Reform

In this edition of the *Heartland Daily Podcast*, host Michael Hamilton argues in his final broadcast of the *Health Care News Podcast* Congress should learn from Alexander the Great: Health care reform is the Gordian Knot that Republicans and Democrats alike will never untie as long as they continue granting the faulty premises of the Affordable Care Act. [Listen here](#)

From Our Free-Market Friends

'Legalized theft' Continues in Clark County

Earlier this month, the Nevada Policy Research Institute released a study examining the controversial civil-asset forfeiture program used by the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department. Policy Analyst Daniel Honchariw analyzed seizures and forfeiture data from the 2016 report, which Nevada law enforcement agencies must file annually with the state's attorney general. "[M]ost forfeitures were for amounts less than \$1,000 – making it cost-prohibitive for innocent parties to contest the seizure" and "occurred mostly in low-income, minority neighborhoods," Honchariw wrote. [Read more](#)



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The August 2017 issue of *Environment & Climate News* reports that the New Hampshire Gov. Chris Sununu will not join the U.S. Climate Alliance, which currently consists of 12 states and Puerto Rico. The alliance was formed after the United States withdrew from the Paris Climate Agreement in June, and members pledged to uphold the climate


agreement by reducing
greenhouse-gas emissions.

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Celebrate Sept. 11-16!

Calendar of activities at
StarkMHAR.org/RecoveryWeek

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DATE	EVENT	ORGANIZATION	LOCATION	TIME	WHO'S INVITED
Monday, Sept. 11	Family Fun at Fry Park (games, crafts, etc.) (for dogs & owners, a guided hike, etc.)	Stark Parks	Fry Park, 2533 Farber St. SE, Magnolia	5-8:00 p.m.	Clients, families and public; RSVP to Christina at 350-409-8988 or at christina@starkparks.com by Friday, Sept. 8 with number attending
Tuesday, Sept. 12	Ice Cream Social & Recognition of Housing Milestones	ICAN Housing	ICAN Housing, 1214 Market Ave. N, Canton	3-4:30 p.m.	Tenants and families
Tuesday, Sept. 12	"Recoveree" Celebration	NAMI Stark County	StarkMHAR, 121 Cleveland Ave. SW, Canton	6-8:00 p.m.	All "Recoverees" welcome
Wednesday, Sept. 13	Client Appreciation Day	Child & Adolescent Behavioral Health	All CBA locations in Alliance, Broken Village and Canton	Throughout day	Clients and families
Wednesday, Sept. 13	Recovery Luncheon	Foundations	Arlum, 880 Market Avenue N, Canton	Noon - 2:00 p.m.	Clients and families
Wednesday, Sept. 13	Recovery Cookout	Columbus Behavioral Health	Canton Office, 400 Eastman St. W, Suite 200	11:00 a.m. - Noon	Clients, families and public
Thursday, Sept. 14	Self-Care & the Power of Doodling	Canton Museum of Art	1001 Market Avenue N, Canton	11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., lunch provided must RSVP	Clinicians, therapists, counselors and service provider staff; RSVP to amy@cantonart.org by Tues, Sept. 12
Saturday, Sept. 16	5th Annual Recovery Picnic & Recovery Remembrance Walk	Compass Services	1650 N 59th Ave Rd SE, Massillon	Noon	Clients, families and public
Saturday, Sept. 16	The Healing Tree & Recovery Picnic	Arts & Crafts StarkMHAR	1850 N 59th Ave Rd. SE, Massillon	Noon - 3:00 p.m.	Clients, families and public
Sunday, Sept. 17	"Hope Will Never Be Slain"	Crab Theatre Company	Duiker United Methodist Church, 645 Duiker Ave. SW, Canton	1:30 p.m. performance	Free to public; "Adult content and R-rated language"

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Calendar of Events: Celebrate Stark County Recovery Week, Sept. 11-16

Join area service providers and organizations during Stark County Recovery Week as they host activities and recognition events to sustain and celebrate people who have or are in the process of getting themselves on the road to mental health and addiction recovery.

Calling all Clinicians! Be sure to RSVP to amy@cantonart.org TODAY for "Self-Care & the Power of Doodling" at the Canton Museum of Art (event to be held Thursday, Sept. 14).

All the weeklong activities follow below!

Tuesday, Sept. 12

ICAN Housing presents

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1214 Market Ave. N, Canton

3-4:30 p.m.

Who is invited? Tenants and families

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121 Cleveland Ave. SW, Canton

6-8:00 p.m.

Who is invited? All "Recoverees" welcome

Wednesday, Sept. 13

**Child & Adolescent Behavioral Health
presents**

Client Appreciation Day

Calendar of events now online! Click the
button below to view at StarkMHAR.org.

Calendar of Events

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Held at all C&A locations in Alliance,
Belden Village and Canton throughout the
day

Who is invited? Clients and families

Wednesday, Sept. 13

Foundations presents

Recovery Luncheon

Atrium, 800 Market Avenue N, Canton

Noon – 2:00 p.m.

Who is invited? Clients and families

Wednesday, Sept. 13

Coleman Behavioral Health presents

Recovery Cookout

Canton Office: 400 Tuscarawas St. W,
Suite 200

11:00 a.m. – Noon

Who is invited? Clients, families and public

Thursday, Sept. 14

Canton Museum of Art presents

Self-Care & the Power of Doodling

1001 Market Avenue N., Canton

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.,

Lunch provided, must RSVP

Who is invited? Clinicians, therapists,
counselors and service provider staff

RSVP to amy@cantonart.org by Tues.,
Sept. 12

Saturday, Sept. 16

CommQuest Services presents

5th Annual Recovery Picnic & Recovery

Remembrance Walk

1660/1680 Nave Rd. SE, Massillon

Noon

Who is invited? Clients, families and public

Saturday, Sept. 16

ArtsinStark & StarkMHAR present

The Healing Tree at the CommQuest

Recovery Picnic

1660/1680 Nave Rd. SE, Massillon

Noon – 3:00 p.m.

Who is invited? Clients, families and public

Sunday, Sept. 17

EraAir Theatre Company presents

"Hope Will Never Be Silent"*

Dueber United Methodist Church

645 Dueber Ave. SW, Canton

1:30 p.m. performance

Who is invited? Free to public

*Adult content and R-rated language

Share on social media and use the hashtag

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Save the dates!

- Sept. 23: Drug Take Back Day – Learn more »
- Dec. 6: 2017 Opiate Symposium



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Sunday night made clear: Candidate's for governor can't ignore the church

In front of a packed house Sunday night at Genoa Church, four of the gubernatorial candidates sat down with Frank Luntz to talk about their vision for the state.

The candidates faced questions they won't get anywhere else – and Frank did a great job of getting them off their talking points.

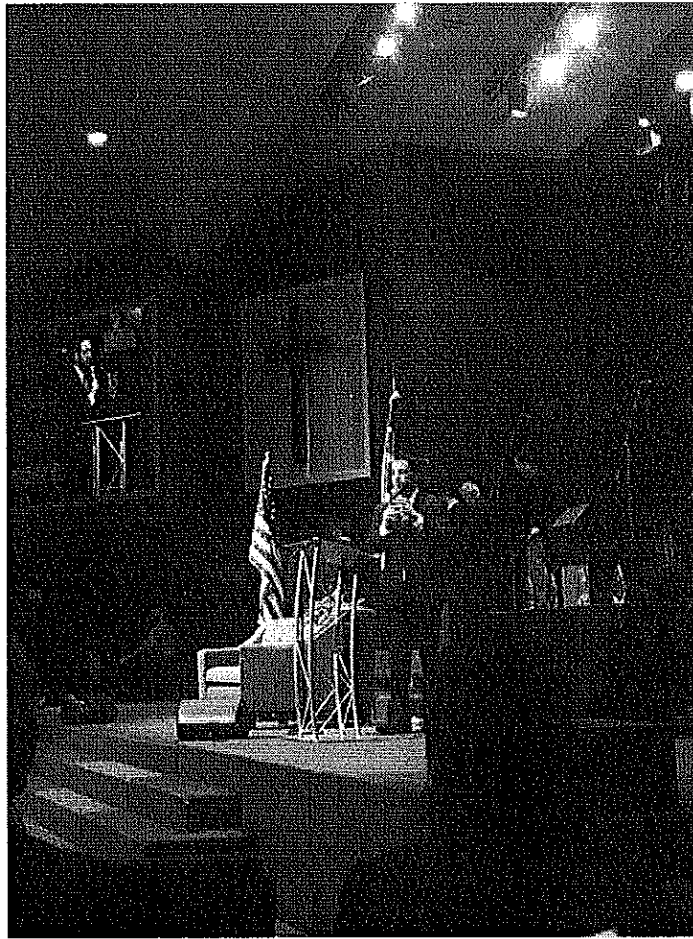
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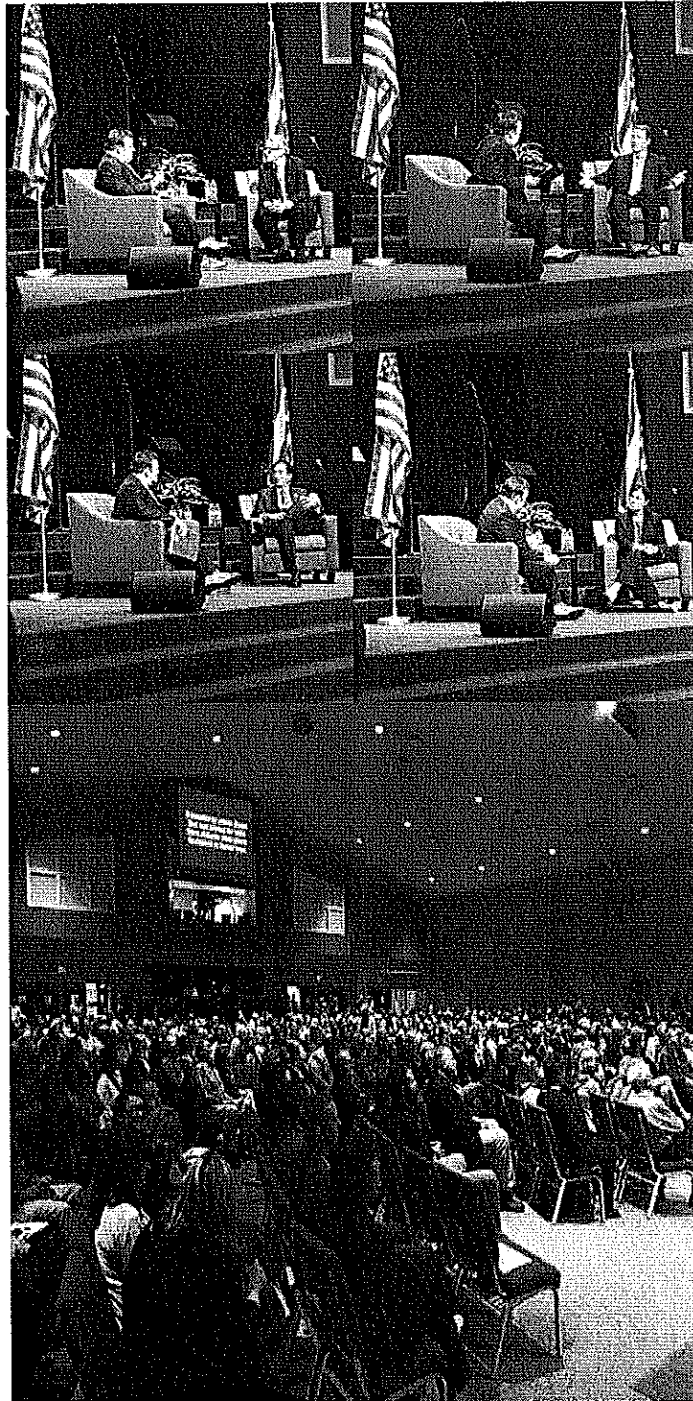
What I was most excited about coming out of the event was that one thing was made clear to the candidates and the media: evangelical voters will have a say in this election, and it's up to the candidates to prove that they will hear and listen to our voice.

Time will tell which of these candidates is going to do the most to support religious freedom, protect life, build up families, and fight the opioid crisis. But if they hope to be the next governor, it's up to them to cast a clear and convincing vision in support of strong communities.

If you missed the event we'll be doing this again in the future...

Here are some of my favorite pictures from Sunday night (these were all iPhone photos – we'll have the good ones up on [Facebook](#) later this week from our photographer!)





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Offshore Energy Development Can Unlock Jobs, Economic Growth

Dear Kirk,

Offshore natural gas and oil resources are essential to U.S. energy security, yet current policy keeps more than 90 percent of federal offshore resources off limits. That's why we welcome proposals from Congress and the Trump administration to expand our ability to develop offshore energy.

Offshore production has accounted for more than 1 million barrels of oil per day for the past 20 years, but that's only a fraction of the potential. Government estimates indicate 90 billion barrels of oil and 327 trillion cubic feet could still be awaiting discovery on the U.S. outer continental shelf (OCS). Based on conservative estimates, we have enough oil and natural gas to fuel 171 million cars for 50 years and heat 68 million households for more than three centuries. And it's likely there is much more oil and natural gas than was previously known in areas where the industry has been unable to explore.

= 9 Safe, responsible development of those resources

Keystone XL Construction and Families

= 9 With Nebraska's Public Service Commission nearing a decision by late next month on whether the Keystone XL pipeline -- along with its 4,500 Nebraska jobs and \$149 million in employee earnings -- is in the public interest, construction workers and Nebraska families are speaking out. [Learn more about the individuals behind the project's economic benefits.](#)



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represents not just energy security that protects American consumers from disruptions in global supplies, but it also promises jobs and economic growth 7 3 especially for coastal states. A study a few years ago projected tens of thousands of jobs could be supported in North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia by offshore energy activity.

In a hearing last week, South Carolina State Sen. Stephen Goldfinch described what offshore energy development would mean to his state: "[A]s you consider this subject, it is imperative that you remember places like Andrews and Conway, and Georgetown South Carolina, where the 'golden egg' of tourism hasn't helped eradicate poverty. For those who live in Andrews and Conway and Georgetown, oil and gas would be their 'golden egg,' bringing non-seasonal, high-paying jobs -- that don't require a college degree -- and hope for a prosperous economic future for the generations to come. The time is right to capitalize on this opportunity, and the need in those towns and other places in South Carolina could not be greater or more urgent."

Speaking from her state's experience, former U.S. Sen. Mary Landrieu of Louisiana explained that it's possible to balance energy production with other important coastal economic activities: "You can have a coast that is a working coast for fisheries, commercial, recreation, eco-tourism, barges, ships, tourism, hotels -- we have it all. Now there are risks associated with any kind of economy ... But the whole idea is if you're careful enough and respectful enough you can have a coast that works and employs people. ... We have men and women graduating from high school that are going to work in the oilfield and they don't make minimum wage. They can make \$80, \$90, \$100,000 a year. And that means a lot to their families, and it sends a lot of kids to college from south Louisiana."

We should embrace the opportunity to bring so much benefit to so many people -- especially since technological innovation, stringent new safety standards, and strong coordination between federal and state governments and industry ensure offshore energy development is safer than ever.

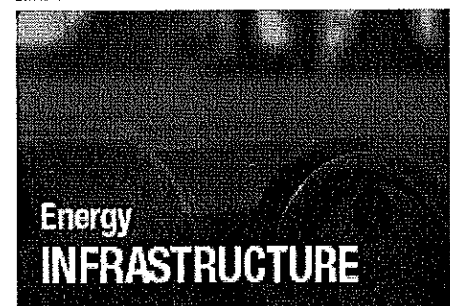
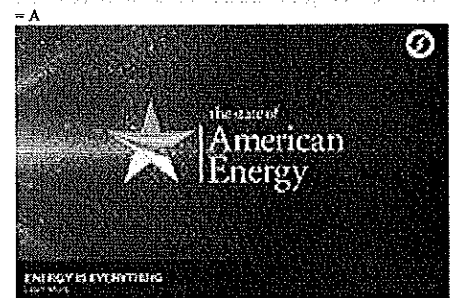
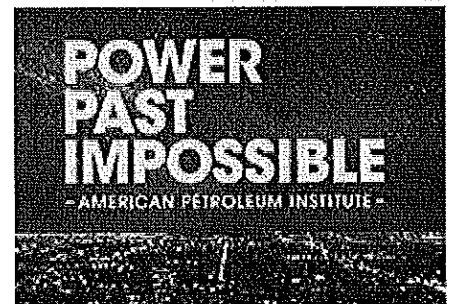
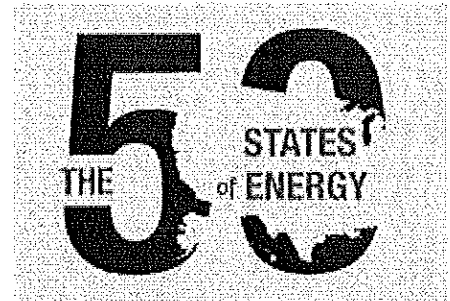
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By safely developing our offshore resources, we can join other nations who have already developed or are working to develop their energy resources in the Atlantic. Canada has secured tremendous economic and energy security advantages by developing oil and natural gas off the coasts of Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Labrador, effectively reviving seaports that were considered "near-extinct," like the town of St. Johns. Cuba and the Bahamas have moved forward with exploratory drilling or development planning. And many other nations are seizing the opportunity to develop oil and natural gas in the Atlantic, including Norway, the United Kingdom, Brazil and Nigeria.

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Just as important is expanding access in the Eastern Gulf of Mexico, where close proximity to existing production and infrastructure can quickly and safely spur investment and economic activity, with the potential to generate thousands of jobs and billions of dollars in government revenue.

Eighty percent of U.S. voters support increased domestic oil and natural gas production. By developing more of our offshore resources, we can strengthen energy security, help



put downward pressure on prices and provide many thousands of new jobs for Americans.

Sincerely,



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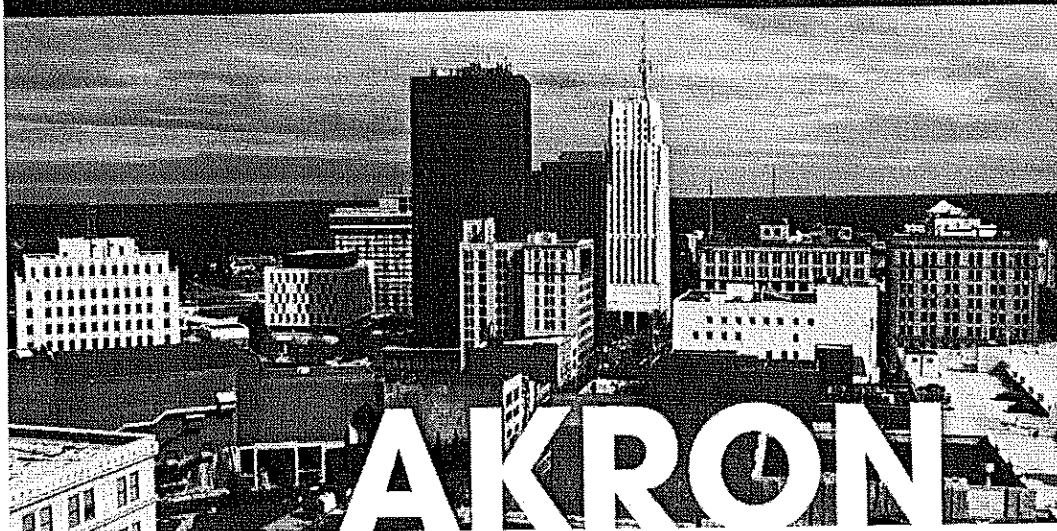
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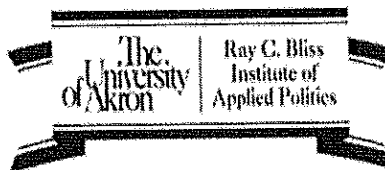
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The conference will explore opportunities for the community to emerge as a "Smart City" and new solutions for attacking the opioid epidemic. Media experts will share their political and policy observations. And, over lunch, Democratic and Republican Party leaders will share their thoughts.

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Impact Ohio Akron Regional Conference

Thursday, October 26

8:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

**Quaker Station at the University of Akron
135 S Broadway St, Akron, OH 44308**

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Akron Agenda Announced

8:00 a.m.- 8:30 a.m. **Registration, Continental Breakfast & Networking**

8:30 a.m.- 8:45 a.m. **Conference Welcome**

- **Ilene Shapiro**, County Executive, Summit County
- **Jennifer Flatter**, Chief Executive Officer, Impact Ohio
- **Richard Rebadow**, Executive Vice President, Greater Akron Chamber of Commerce

8:45 a.m.- 9:45 a.m.

Observations from the Fourth Estate

Moderator: Bruce Winges, Editor, Akron Beacon Journal

Panelists:

- Michael Douglas, Editorial Page Editor, Akron Beacon Journal
- Ed Esposito, Vice President, Information Media for the Rubber City Radio Group, WAKR Radio Akron
- Doug Livingston, Reporter, Akron Beacon Journal

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- M.L. Schultze, Digital Editor, Reporter/Producer, WKSU Public Radio, Kent

9:45 a.m.- 10:00 a.m.

Coffee Break

10:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.

Opiates: New Solutions for Attacking the Epidemic

Moderator: Judge Joy Malek Oldfield, Summit County Court of Common Pleas

Panelists:

- Jerry Craig, Executive Director, County of Summit ADM Board
- Lori Criss, Chief Executive Officer, The Ohio Council of Behavioral Health & Family Services Providers
- Representative Ryan Smith, Chair, Ohio House Finance Committee
- Representative Emilia Sykes, Ranking Member, Ohio House Finance Subcommittee on Health and Human Services

11:00 a.m.- Noon

Emerging Smart Cities & Opportunities for the Region

Moderator:

Kyle Kutuchief, Community and National Initiatives Program
Director, Knight Foundation

Panelists:

- **Shannon Hardin**, Councilmember, City of Columbus
- **Dan Horrigan**, Mayor, City of Akron
- **Senator Frank LaRose**, Chair, Ohio Senate
Transportation Committee

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- **Jamie Sullivan**, Digital Infrastructure Specialist,
Internet of Things, AT&T

Noon- 1:30 p.m.

Remarks from **Senate President Larry Obhof**

Luncheon Address: Political Insight

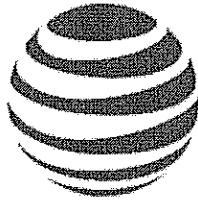
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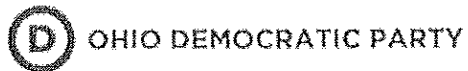
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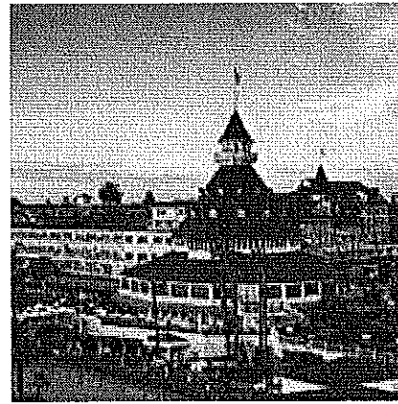
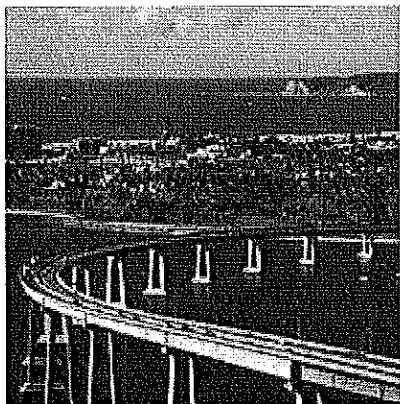
A new transportation world is on the horizon where autonomous vehicles are potentially an everyday presence. How can states ensure a robust cybersecurity environment for these new technologies?

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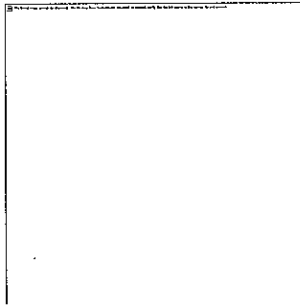
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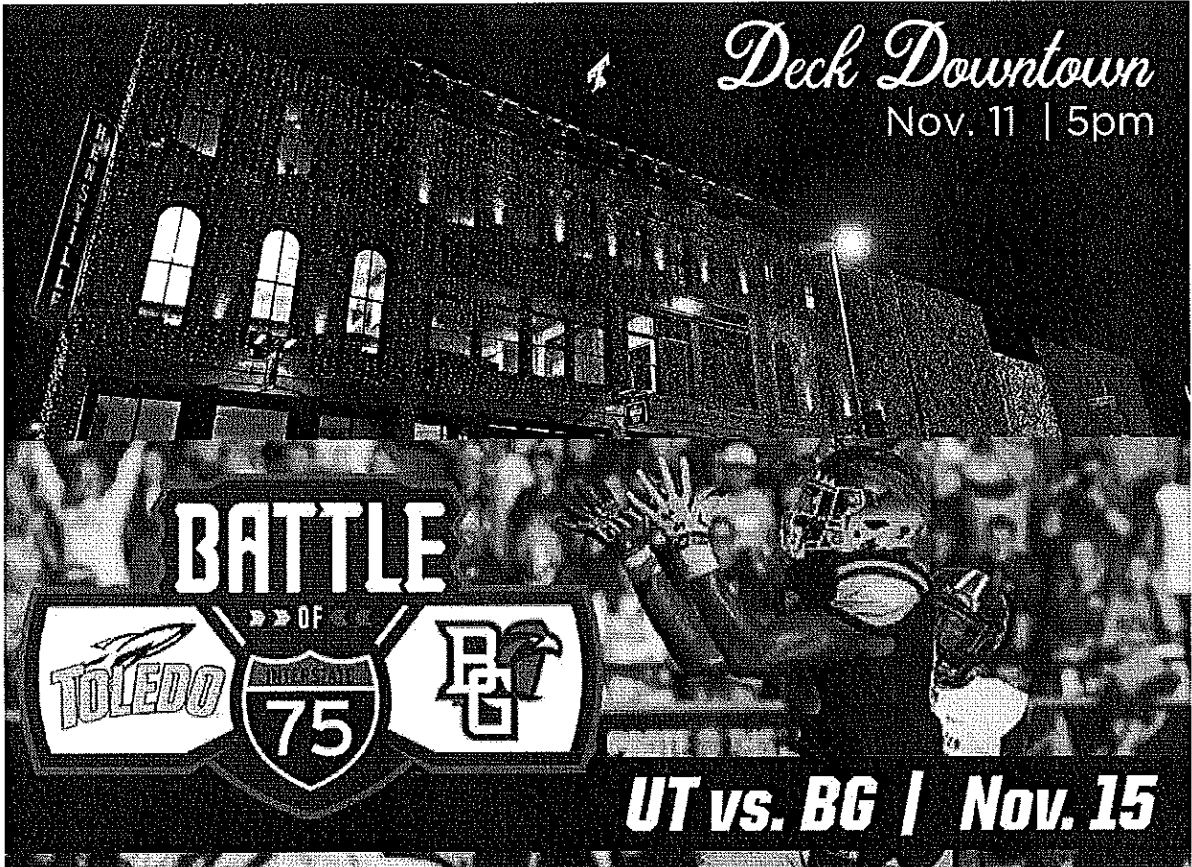
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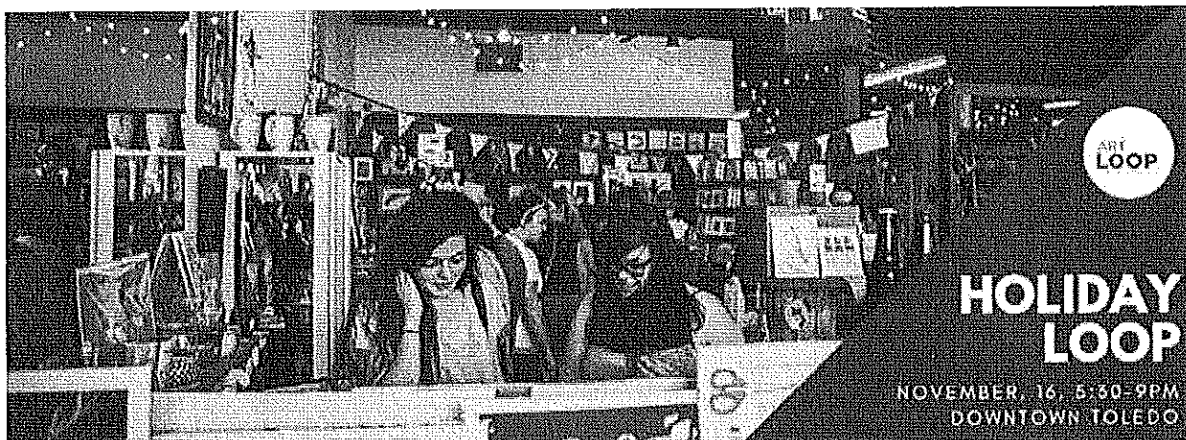
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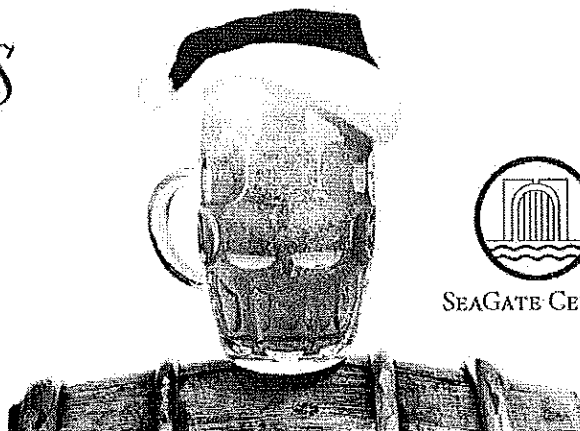
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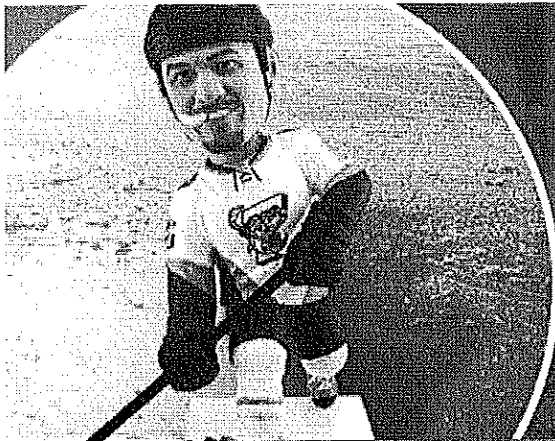


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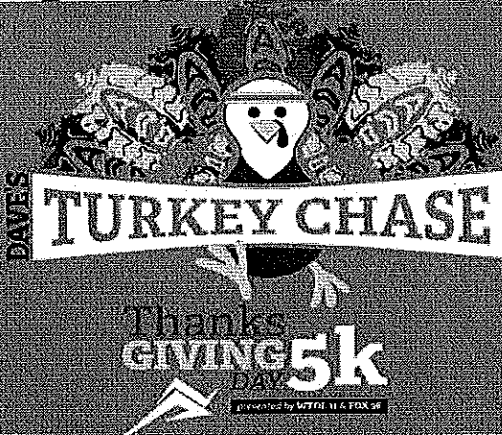
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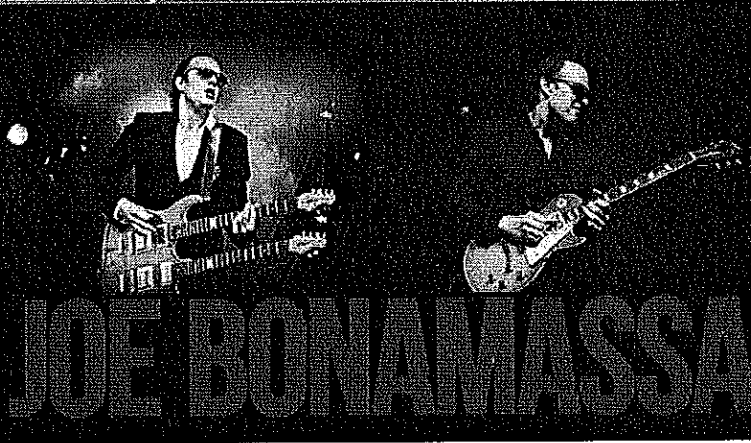
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NEW RESOURCE to Support MIECHV Advocacy in Ohio

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Dear Groundwork Team:

I spent part of my week at the Partners Summit for the Alliance for Early Success. As we are already busy laying the groundwork for a successful 2018, I was grateful to glean information from other states and our national partners in this work, particularly as it relates to election advocacy strategies. As part of the Summit, I participated in the annual meeting of the national Home Visiting Advocates Community of Practice where our agenda focused on the impact of the Maternal, Infant and early Childhood Home Visiting program (MIECHV) reauthorization on home visiting advocacy across the nation and election advocacy strategies. Many may not realize that CHIP isn't the Only Program for Children and Babies that Congress Let Expire. MIECHV is a critical component of Ohio's evidence-based home visiting programs that are driving outcomes for babies and families across the state with a total of 10,132 visits to families living in poverty in FY17. As we continue to educate our congressional delegation and advocate that they act quickly to reauthorize MIECHV, we have created a new resource featured below to support our advocates across the state that are helping us push for action on this important issue.

Shannon Jones
Executive Director

NEW RESOURCE: Support your MIECHV advocacy by downloading and sharing this [two page fact sheet](#) on why Ohio families need MIECHV to be reauthorized now!

MIECHV

Reauthorize the
Maternal, Infant,
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{ WITH A 5-YEAR EXTENSION INCLUDING INCREMENTAL
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"Persistent Gaps: State Child Care Assistance Policies"

Persistent Gaps: State Child Care Assistance Policies 2017 examines the subsidy programs that help low-income families pay for child care in each state and reveals the insufficient and uneven progress on policies across the country. The analysis compares data for February 2017 to data for February 2016 and 2001 on five crucial measures—income eligibility, waiting lists for assistance, copayments required of parents receiving assistance, payment rates for child care providers, and eligibility for parents searching for a job. These critical factors determine the affordability, accessibility, and quality of assistance in every state and the District of Columbia.